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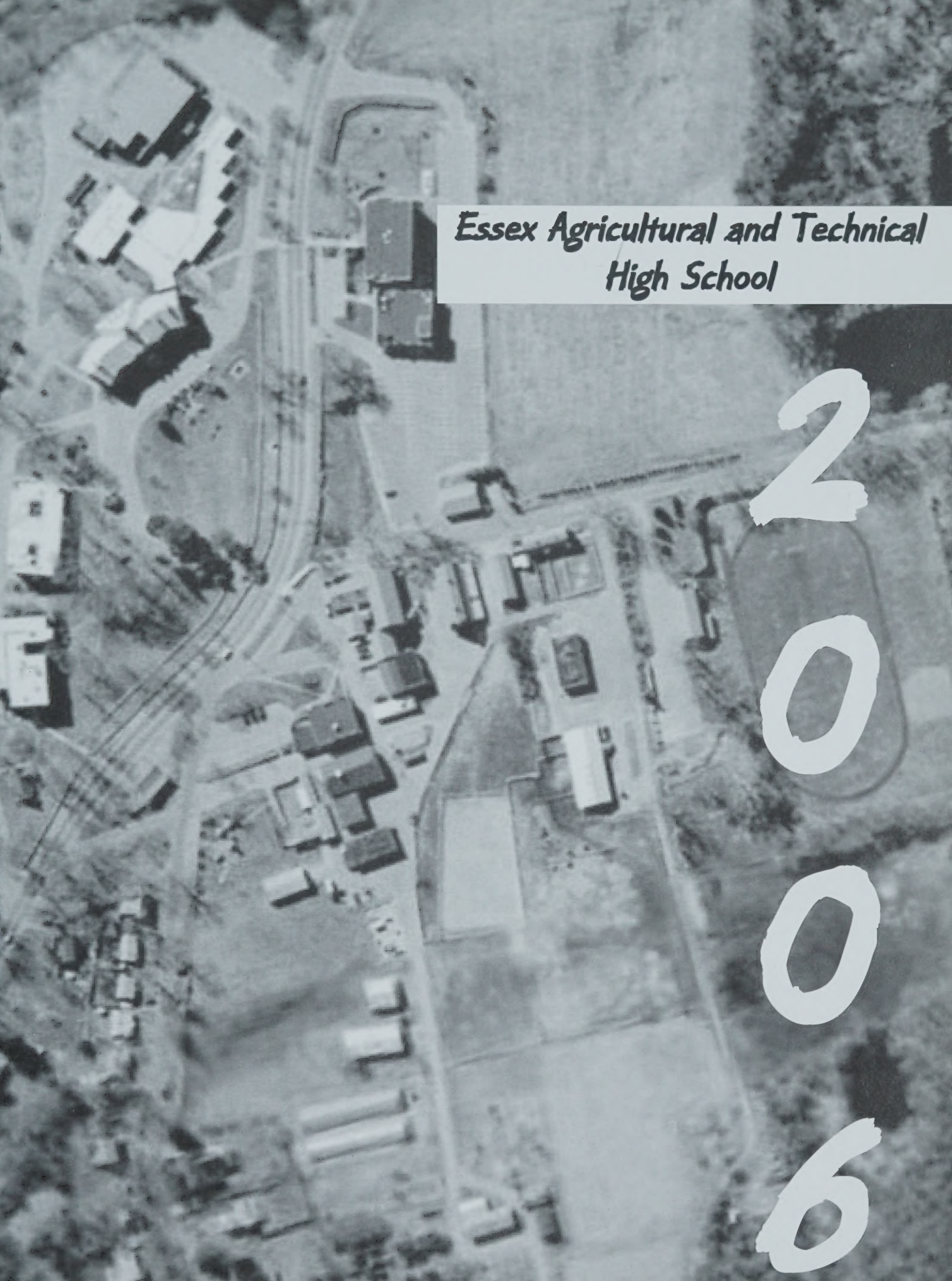


Essex Agricultural and Technical High School

2006

Dedication

The Class of 2006 gladly dedicates our yearbook to our principal, Mr. Richard Barbeau. We appreciate your hard work and cheerful attitude. Your friendship has been a delight and an uplifting part of our high school experience. Without you leading us, we would not be who we are today, so we thank you for that.

You were sorely missed this year during your absence. The halls were bare and lonesome for a kind face and a jovial voice. We'll miss you. The memory of what you brought to the table to make our school, and our lives a better place will remain with us always. We'll strive to better the environments we work in, and the lives of people we work with, because of you. We hope that you will never forget our class and please keep in touch! Once again thank you for everything you have done for us.

Love Sincerely,

The Class of 2006

Class Advisors

Class of 2006, you have all been given valuable skills and made significant accomplishments during your stay here at the Aggie. These skills and accomplishments could have come from: paddling down the Merrimack River in Environmental Science, climbing to the tops of trees in Plant Science, or restraining a large dog in Animal Science.

Be proud of your new skills and hard earned accomplishments. Remember where you experienced these things, at Essex Aggie. Also remember that you are part of a 90-year tradition of "learning by doing," by being part of Essex Agricultural and Technical High School's graduating Class of 2006.

Good Luck, Have Fun and Be Safe,

Mrs. Verrington & Mr. King

To the Class of 2006

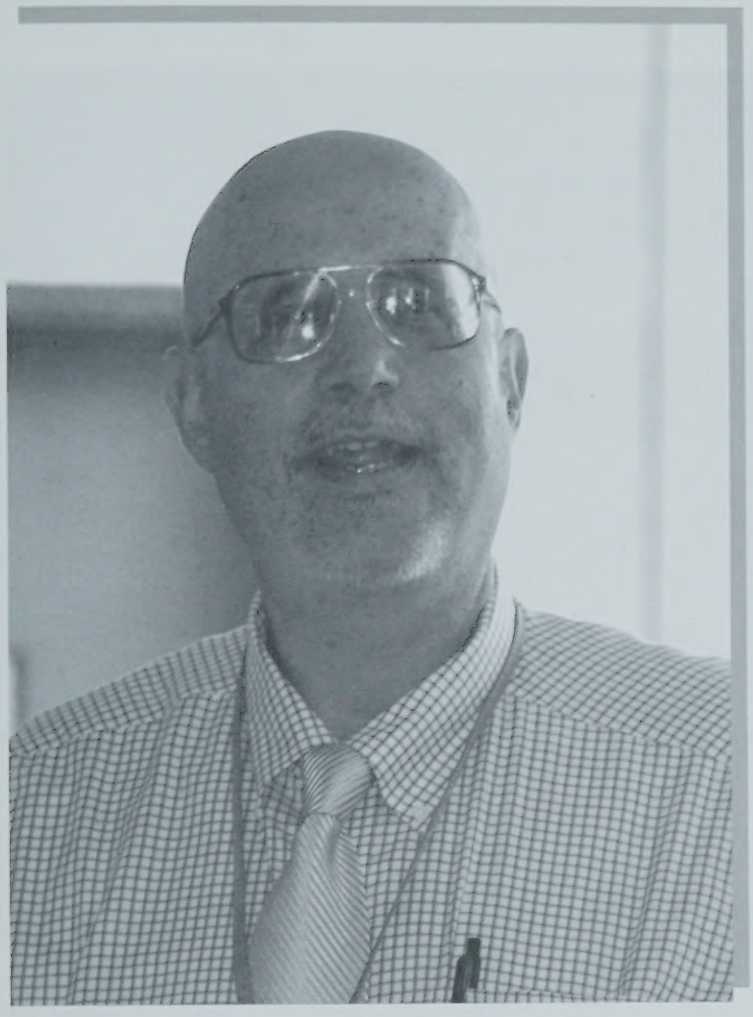
The Yearbook is a book of special memories. It reflects a time in your youth that is never recaptured. It is a snapshot of time that is filled with innocence, fun, special friendships and relationships, laughter, and unique educational experiences. I hope that all of you will treasure this book and treasure your time at the Aggie.

It is my distinct honor to congratulate each and every one of you on your graduation. You have been outstanding contributors to your school community. I look forward to your future accomplishments, for I know they will be many. Always be proud that you are alumni of Essex Agricultural and Technical High School.

Sincerely,

Helen M. Hegarty
Interim Superintendent

Board of Trustees: James E. Fox, Daniel Cahill, Helen M. Hegarty (Interim Director), Joseph C. Edwards, Esq., Donna Holleran, Daniel Bennett
Frederick Winthrop (not pictured)



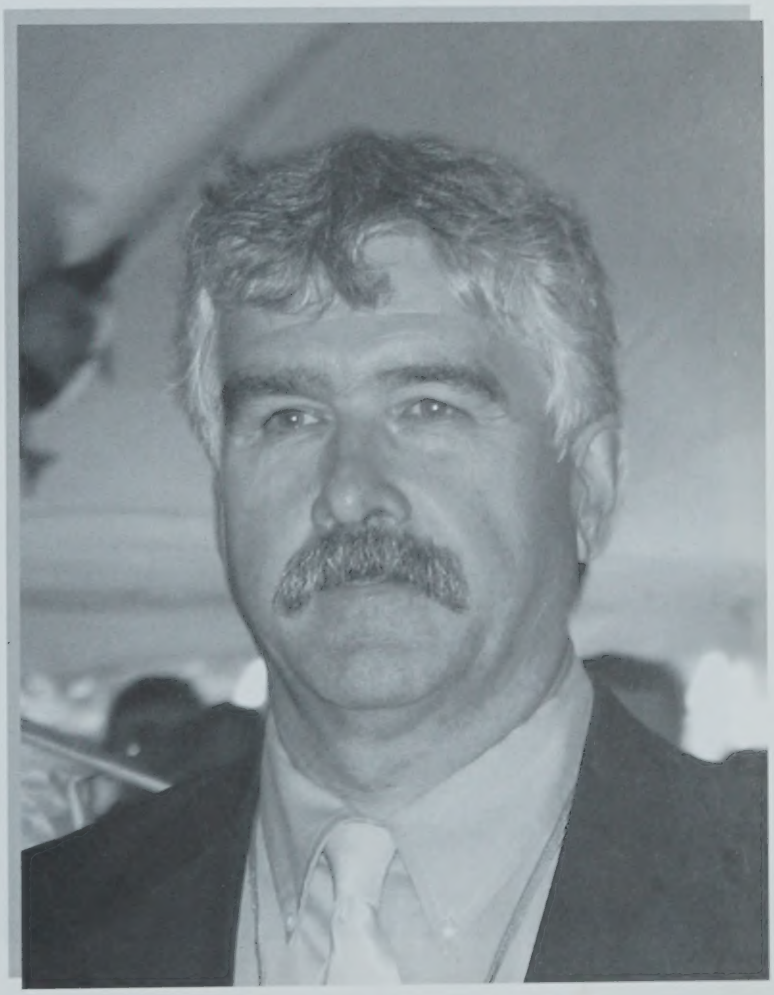
To the class of 2006,

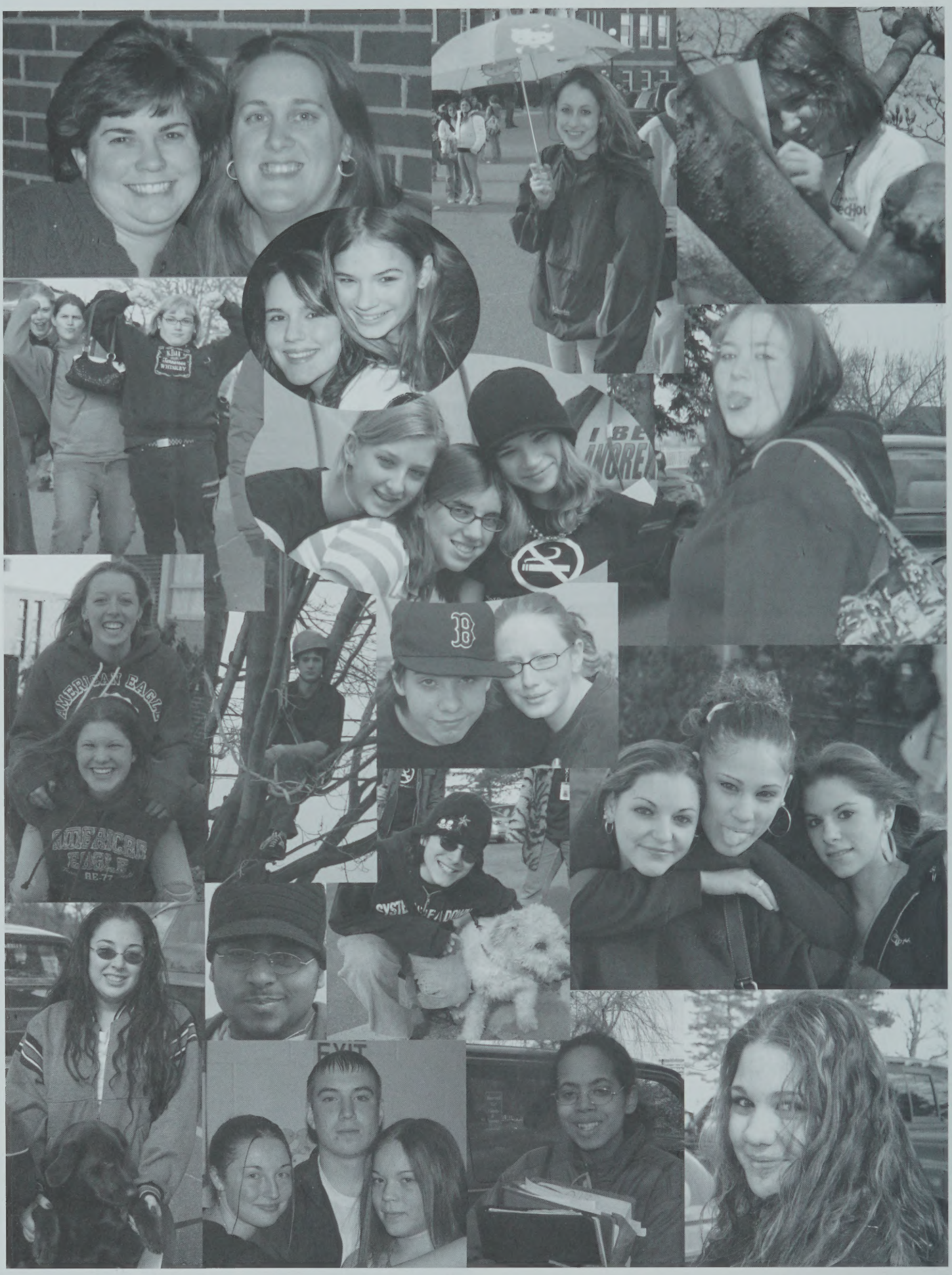
Your four years here at Essex have come and gone and I am sure to many of you it felt like it went by quickly. It seems like just yesterday you showed up here for something called an "orientation" day at the end of your eighth grade year. On that day some of you met and made friends that you still have today. Now, many of you will be going on to college or work and leaving this school and your friendships behind. I hope you will look back on your days at the Aggie with fondness and pride and remember where you started from and where you will be going.

Richard Barbeau
Principal

Best of luck to the Class of 2006. During your tenure at Essex Aggie you have demonstrated an enthusiasm and spirit that has made a lasting impression on the faculty and administrators who have worked with you. Your success has been our success. Do not look at your graduation as the end but rather, as a new beginning. It is the beginning of a part of your life where you take control of your own education and personal development. It is all in your hands now and if you approach this next phase of your life with the same energy that you brought here in the fall of 2002 you will do very well.

Gene Demsey
Assistant Principal

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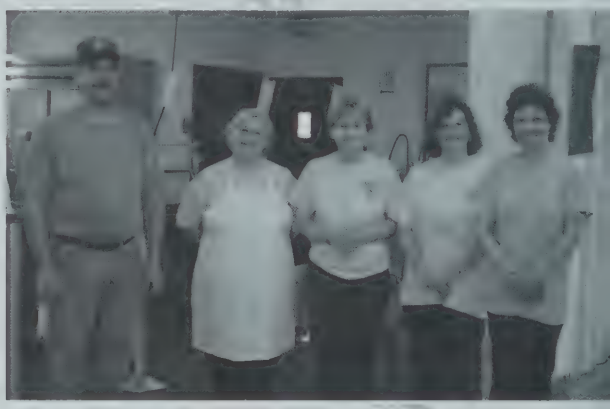
Faculty and Staff

Thank you to all of those who support, nuture and help all of our students.



Leandra Abdella, George Banos, Kevin Bell, Richard Collins, Linda Corson, Karen Cyr, Betsy Dachos, Erin V. Dolan, Peter Dolan, Sandra Donahue, Steven Douglass

Brendan Feeney, Sarah Gillis, Michael Grace, Clarice Grima, John Haley, Ellen Hanick, Debbie Hartman, Carin Haywood, Andrew King, Daniel Kirkonian, Lee McPillan

Jane Murph, Jillian Plante, Andrea Pastelis, Kathryn Pierce, Gineen Rhodes, Kathleen Salley, Charles Saulnier, Todd Simendinger, Jennifer Skane, Robert Sullivan, Elizabeth Shafiner,

Suzanne Swartz, George Vanikiotis, Ron Vercellone, Martha Verrington, Joyce Wallace, Laurie Walton, Edward White, Ann Witzig

You have made this school a much richer place!

Curriculum: Joy White

Special Education: Scott Brennan

Nurse: Roberta Morrison

Recruitment: Robert Raucci

Teacher Aides: Lynda Seppala, Elsie Bornstein, Kristin Wendling

Guidance: Harriet Poliner, Wendy Leach

Adjustment Counselor: Joseph Hill

Kitchen: Donna O'Brien, Lisa Selinger, Grace Clarke, Rita Zachan, Mark Carbone

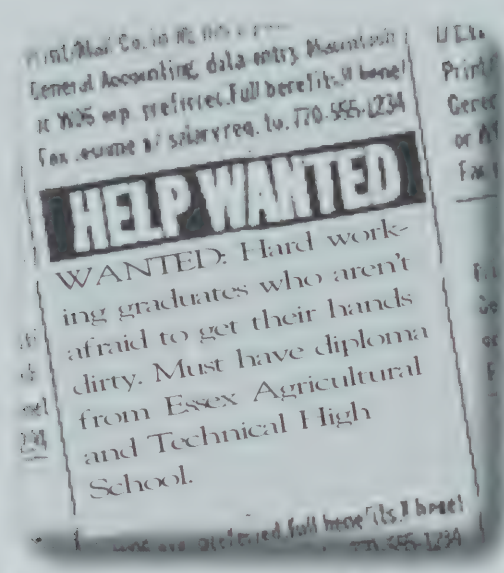
Administrative Assistants: Lisa Horgan, Patricia Hale, Mary Jane Devine, Helen Keyes

Technology: Ted Novakowski, Glenn Dagley

Farm Crew: Cliff Taylor, Barbra Smith, Raymond Belanger, Raoul Pinvero

Business Office: Charles Veradt, Penny Judd, Dina Stilwell, Nancy Cheney, Frederick Murtagh, Sandi McDonald (not pictured)

Library: Debra Murphy, Linda Wendell


HELP WANTED
WANTED: Hard working graduates who aren't afraid to get their hands dirty. Must have diploma from Essex Agricultural and Technical High School.

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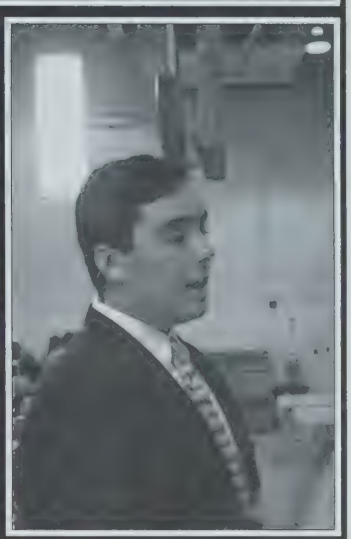
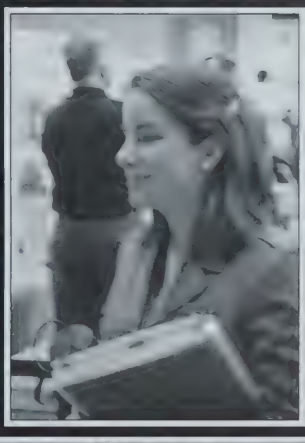
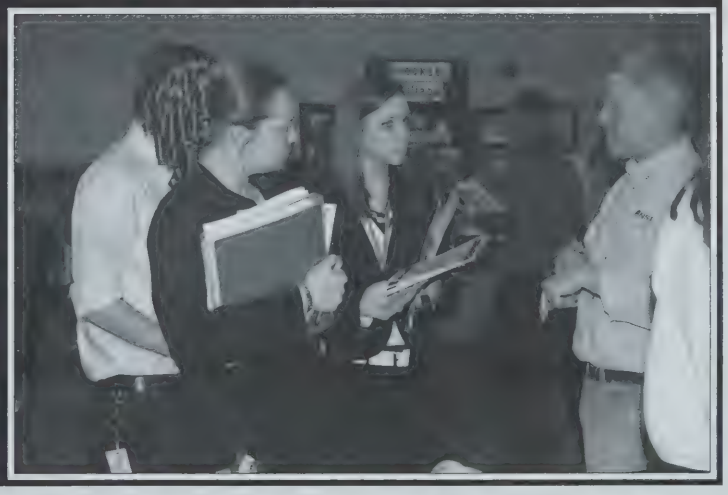
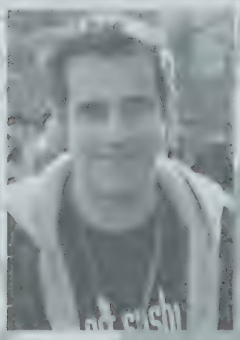








PATRIOTS

Class of 2006

Senior Portraits

Nicholas Arba

Nicknames: Nick
Activities: Drumming, Archery, and Bass
Goals: To own my own business
Quote: "What?"
In 10 years: Being a small engines mechanic
Favorite Aggie memory: When Mr. King got the 350 stuck on the ice and I got him unstuck. Mr. King locked the hubs.

Caralyn Backman

Nicknames: Cara
Activities: Class Representative
Goals: Compete at archery in the 2012 Olympics
Quote: "Sarcasm...yeah that works"
In 10 years: Move to Nova Scotia and own an archery shop
Favorite Aggie memory: Ordering pizza to Mr. Timmin's room

Jeric Baribeau

Shanna Belanger

Nicknames: Starsha
Activities: Newspaper, art club, homework club
Goals: To become a professional groomer
Quote: "Don't judge people by the way they look, unless you want to be judged."
In 10 years: Owning my own small business
Favorite Aggie memory: When I got to see my twin sister, Natasha graduate, then finally it's my turn to shine and get my diploma.

Sharon Berry

Nicknames: Share Bear
Activities: horseback Riding
Goals: Own a horse, a house, good income, health
Quote: "The wildest colts make the best horses."
In 10 years: In a successful career and relationship
Favorite Aggie memory: Riding JD bareback

Thomas Berube, Jr.

Alita Brenner-Savory

Nicknames: Artemis (Nightwolf)
Activities: The time I shared with Ryan and Kraig and all my other friends, writing, tree - climbing, food, SGA, newspaper
Goals: Become a writer / photographer / wildlife biologist
Quote: "I am a goddess reincarnate." - Me
In 10 years: Become a writer / photographer / wildlife biologist
Favorite Aggie memory: When the cows got loose and many different classes had to work together to catch them.

Amanda Brown

Nicknames: Manda
Activities: Snowboarding
In 10 years: having a family and a good paying job
Favorite Aggie memory: hiding Mr. Schroder's CFavorite Aggie memory: Ordering pizza to Mr. Timmin's room cows around the classroom.

Rachel Brown

Ashley Burgess

Darrin Carty

Activities: BMX of Salem
Goals: To live life to the fullest
Quote: "Rock it till the wheels fall off."
In 10 years: In a house in the country.
Favorite Aggie memory: All four years.

Ricky Chakoutis

Activities: Baseball, Football
Quote: "G-Unit"
In 10 years: I see myself as 27 in10 years.

Danielle Christie

Nicknames: Danni
Activities: Drama, public speaking
Goals: To become a nurse
Quote: Life isn't measured by how many breaths we take but by the moments that take our breath away"
In 10 years: Being a nurse
Favorite Aggie memory: Scared straight program freshman year

Christopher Clark

Nicknames: Captain Clark
Activities: Football, baseball, basketball
Goals: To graduate from college
Quote: "BA BA BA BA"
In 10 years: Graduating from school and being a cop
Favorite Aggie memory: Math class with Mrs. P

Emily Coffill

Nicknames: Em
Activities: Painting, poetry, and creative writing
Goals: To own my own home
Quote: "sometimes..."
In 10 years: Married with a very small child
Favorite Aggie memory: When the bathing beauty system drenched me & Amanda O in the grooming lab

Jamie Collins

Activities: Drama, Prom committee
Quote: "I reject your reality and substitute my own"
In 10 years: I don't know yet but whatever it is should be an adventure
Favorite Aggie memory: One simple word E. S.

Jessica Conley

Nicknames: Teenie
Activities: Sing, write poems, play guitar
Goals: Do the best I can.
Quote: "Blue llamas from Pluto."
In 10 years: Successful in something I enjoy
Favorite Aggie memory: When Nikkie and I would do the Irish Jig during lunch.

Jillian Connor

Nicknames: Jill
Activities: President of the Math club
Goals: Become a licensed arborist
In 10 years: Graduated from college with my own business
Favorite Aggie memory: Freshmen year ag class, senior year

Kaylyne Cox

Jomaris Cruz

Jayna Davis

Nicknames: Peg Leg, Portusqueese, Greyhound, and Stumpy Legs
Activities: Basketball
Goals: Graduate from Emerson College, get a motorcycle, and go sky diving.
Quote: "If the train comes by and takes off your arm, then the train owns you!"
In 10 years: Being an established author and having my own hit sitcom.
Favorite Aggie memory: Junior year, I broke a chair in Mr.Timmin's math class and he proceeded to sit on it and drag it around the class yelling. "It's a chariot!" STLTEFMBOAS!!!

Jason Dembowski

Nicknames: Blacky
Quote: "What time is it"
In 10 years: Landscaper & Livestock farmer, Logger construction

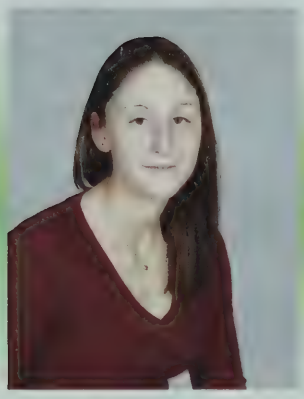
Sherri Dodge

Nicknames: Cheryl
Activities: Basketball, Drama, Peer Krooz
Goals: To move to hollywood and groom for the stars
Quote: "If you don't like it, don't look."
In 10 years: Married with kids
Favorite Aggie memory: Freshmen year, 6 kids, 1 cow, cow won!

Ripley Doten

Shana Eno

Nicknames: Sha
Goals: Travel to Europe
Quote: "Keh Keh Keh"
In 10 years: 27 years old and successful
Favorite Aggie memory: All the crazy times!



Jennifer Ferrante

Nicknames: Jenny from the hood
Goals: To become a nurse
In 10 years: Being a nurse
Favorite Aggie memory: Joe falling out of the jake

Anthony Fiory IV

Activities: Working
Goals: Own my own business
In 10 years: Owning my own business
Favorite Aggie memory: "05" ski trip

Kayta Fondeur

Joseph Fowler

Nicknames: Joe Joe
Activities: Football Freshman Year
Quote: "Did you Know….."
In 10 years: Owning my own business
Favorite Aggie memory: hanging out with the best people: Pamey and Ricky!!!

Ashley Freccero

Lisa-Marie Frolian

Activities: Canine judging, FFA
Goals: To succeed in the animal business
In 10 years: In a successful job making money
Favorite Aggie memory: Senior math class with Ms.Pastelis

Jose Garcia

Nicole Gauron

Ashley George

Daniel Gougian

Nicknames: Dan
Quote: "Don't judge a person until you have walked a mile in their shoes, that way if they're angry you're a mile ahead of them and they have no shoes."

Danielle Gricci

Courtney Grocki

Gregory harding

Nicknames: Greg
Goals: To be successful
In 10 years: Living on my own with a good job
Favorite Aggie memory: The 2005 ski trip

Rachel havrilla

Erin hensley

Pamela hudson

Nicknames: Pamey
Goals: To actually graduate high school
Quote: "G-unit" lol Ricky
In 10 years: Being 27 and sitting watching T.V.
Favorite Aggie memory: hanging out with the best people in the world, Ricky & Joe

Dana Inostronza

Summer James

Conchetta Jenifer

Nicknames: $Chedda$
Activities: Basketball
Goals: To have my Bachelors degree by 22
Quote: Don't watch me, watch T.V..
In 10 years: Married with two children, owning a home, and driving my Lexus
Favorite Aggie memory: All the jokes with Keyontie, Erica L, Erin, Erica M, Etc..

Christopher Joblin

Donald Knight

Erica Laboy

Kevin Lamontagne

Nicola Lauranzano

Nicknames: Nickle, Nikki, Kitty
Activities: Nova Scotia Trip, Merrimack River Trip
Goals: Go sky diving, and own a hairless cat
Quote: "Those who can laugh without cause have either found the true meaning of happiness or have gone stark raving mad." –Norm Papernick
In 10 years: Working in a crime lab, far away from Massachusetts
Favorite Aggie memory: Fitting myself in my camp gear bag, setting a camp stove on fire, and meeting "Canadian Scotsmen" in Nova Scotia

Morgan LeBlanc

Activities: horseback riding
Goals: Graduate college
Quote: "Are you for real?!"
In 10 years: Owning my own company
Favorite Aggie memory: David Marinelli

Renee Malionek

Nicknames: Nay, O'nick, Turtle
Activities: SGA, outing club, soccer, basketball 9, X-C, softball, yearbook
Goals: To keep my life an exciting adventure and never let it become a mundane task
Quote: "Be here now"
In 10 years: I see myself content with life, in the midst of an exciting adventure.
Favorite Aggie memory: Canoe trip, boat building, G.S. kids in Nova Scotia at Andi Rierdon's house, Mr. Banos and Mr. C's classes

Cory Marchand

Erica Martella

Stephanie Martinez

Nicknames: Angelica
Activities: I like to dance and hang at the mall
Goals: Become a vet tech for a well known hospital
Quote: "Don't cry over spilled milk, life goes on."
In 10 years: Owning my own business in a spa & bakery for dogs & cats
Favorite Aggie memory: Meeting Ms.Haywood, Ms.Gillis, Ms. Skane, Mr.Grace, and all the faculty, but most Important meeting Dana, Starr, Chedda, Keyontie, and Mr. hill

Jason McCarthy

Matthew McDaid

Nicknames: Dave
Activities: Ninjas Anonymous
Goals: To become a ninja
Quote: "You're wrong!"
In 10 years: Mopping the floors
Favorite Aggie memory: Coming back

Gabrielle Melancon

Keyontie Millner

Nicknames: Keya
Activities: FFA
Goals: To have my masters degree
Quote: "Them are fighting words, I bet you won't hit her"
In 10 years: Married have my own home and to drive BMW
Favorite Aggie memory: Meeting Chetta and having jokes on everyone

Jill Moore

Krystyna Mroz

Wilka Murphy

Andrew Nieman

Nicknames: Beano
Goals: To become rich with a big business
Quote: "WOOPS!"
In 10 years: To be a successful landscaper
Favorite Aggie memory: Calling teachers by other names

David Noseworthy

Nicknames: Noseworth, Dave, Pizzaface,Tall Boy
Activities: Drama Club, FFA chapter reporter, outing club
Goals: Make money be happy
Quote: "WELLFARE"
In 10 years: I see myself being 27...
Favorite Aggie memory: Being smashed through a fence by the ram

Amanda Ouellet

Catherine Paganelli

Richard Palmer Jr

Nicknames: Richie, Cavemen
Activities: Drama Club, FFA, Class Reps
Goals: Graduate College
Quote: " That's Welfare!"
In 10 years: happily Married with Nicole Pellegrino making a good living being a computer programmer
Favorite Aggie memory: First day freshman year when I met the love of my life and best friend, Nicole.

Charlie Panacopoulos

Nicknames: Chaz, Chuck, Doughboy
Activities: FFA, Paintball, hanging out with friends
Goals: State President of FFA, own business when 25 years old
Quote: "When a mommy and a daddy really love each other..."
In 10 years: Owning my own business
Favorite Aggie memory: FFA National Convention

Nicole Pellegrino

Ashley Philpot

Nicknames: Ash
Goals: To become an occupational therapist
In 10 years: Graduated with a bachelors degree in occupational therapy. Owning my own O.T. facility, married, possibly with children.
Favorite Aggie memory: The canoe trip, boat building, the Canada trip, class field trips, getting to know my class a lot better.

Shaina Pilz

Pamela Proodian

Danielle Ritch

Jennifer Rodier

Jericka Rodriguez

Nicknames: Jay-Rod ways
Goals: Be a nurse/model
Quote: "Live life to the fullest because you never know what day is your last."
In 10 years: In nursing school or working in my career already
Favorite Aggie memory: Mud & water fight in the greenhouse freshman year

Teresa Rosa

Estrella Rosado

Sarah Ryan

Celina Sarao

Courtney Sawicki

Jessica Scales

Trevor Seaboyer

Nicknames: TJ
In 10 years: 28

Danica Sisolak

Nicknames: Bubbles, D, Nica, DD
Activities: Bahama 05, drawing
Goals: NSCC here I come
Quote: "I shot an arrow towards the sky, I hit a white cloud floating by. The cloud fell dying to the shore I don't shoot arrows anymore."
In 10 years: Own a house
Favorite Aggie memory: Being here and being with my friends

Kraig Spinale

Activities: Listen to music, sing, internet
Goals: Move out of the house
Quote: "Even the toughest rock can be broken or cut open"
In 10 years: Far far away from Massachusetts... hopefully!
Favorite Aggie memory: Coming here and making tons of awesome friends

Ryan Tilton

Leigh Trueira

Activities: Varsity Basketball, FFA
Goals: To have my own day care center
Quote: "One loyal friend is worth 10 thousand relatives."
In 10 years: Out of College, married, have children, and have a good job.
Favorite Aggie memory: When I got a 3 pointer in basketball in 2006

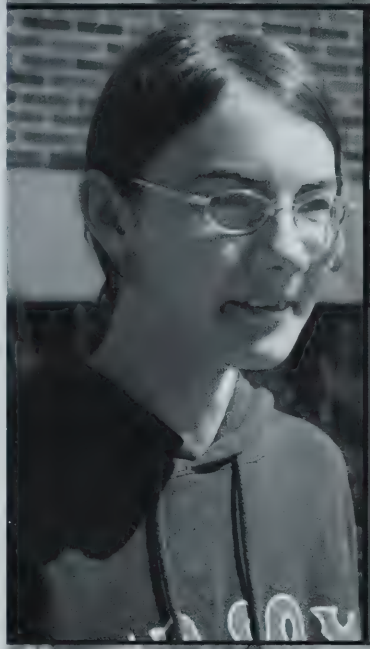
Meghan Vatcher

Adam Whitehouse

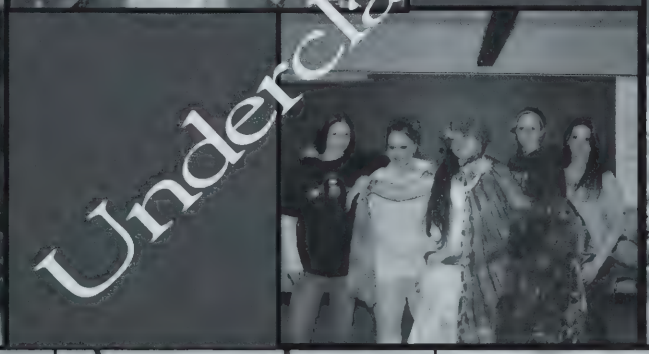
Tina Wood

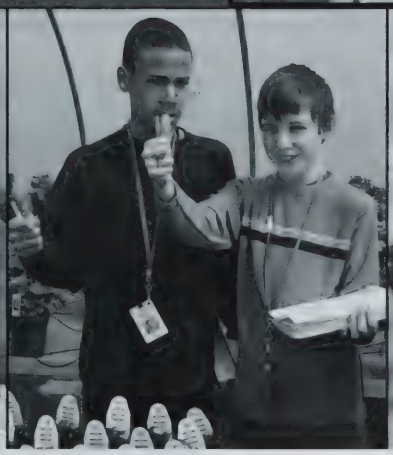
Activities: homework club, FFA
Goals: To be successful in life
Quote: "Its not the size of the dog in the fight, it's the size of the fight in the dog."
In 10 years: Married with children and breaking into my career
Favorite Aggie memory: The time I shared with Ryan and Kraig and all my other friends

hillary Woodland



Underclassmen





Juniors

Amanda Abreu, Krysten Belanger, Sarah Belfiore, Franli Bencosme, Adriane Bochenko, Jessica-Lee Bowman, Danielle Burke, Colleen Cameron, Luis Carrion, Toniann Cerasoli, Jennifer Chambers

Michelle Chandler, Kathy Che, Cailen Ciarletta, Chibbon Coholan, Meredith Collins, Jennifer Comppen, Megan Currao, Tara Curtis, Nicole Dansereau, Andrea Danskin, James Davekos

Catherine Defelice, Joshua Dembowski, Nicholas Desousa, Samantha Dexter, Corey DiDomenico, Michelle Dodge, Sean Doherty, Crystal Doiron, Kerri Donoughe, Stephanie Dubois, Katrina Eddy

Joseph Edelstein, Adam Evers, Michelle Fuoco, Argenis Gomez, Saul Gonzalez, Glenn Gould, Nicole Grosky, Douglas Himmer, Sean Howland, Nathaniel Jillson, Moses Jimenez

Meghan Joly, David Karr, Moony Ke, Amy Kenny, Jared King, Ashley Kinney, Katherine Krech, Angela Kulakowski, Shannon Lane, John Lawson, Ivory Leblanc

Arleia Ledonne, Stefanie Legendre, Elise Letizia, Emily Lewis, Desiree Lilly, Charonda Lindsey, Matthew Lipinski, Amanda Lovell, Bonnie McConnachie, Greg Moreau, Traci Mover

Katrena Murphy, Danielle Murray, Samuel Murray, Krystle-Lyn Nichols, Stevan Ospina, Jessica Partridge, Melissa Payne, Kyle Pedi, Jared Petropoulos, Ashley Pflug, Sean Pierce

Elaine Pittas, Alexis Polanco, Renee Provost, Corinne Reid, Jonathan Reyes, Ian Michael Richards, Christina Roman, Emily Round, Diana Ruiz, Luis Santiago, Emy Santos

Theresa Searle, Molly Shea, Erin Skinner, Chelsea Stephens, Zachary Stonkus, Chelsie Sutherland, Sean Sylvester, Stephanie Tanzella, Adam Tidcomb, Jessica Torres, James Tringale

Charlene Troncoso, Anthony Vitulli, Jennell Waelty, Timothy Walsh, Michaella Ward, Colleen Willey

sophomores

Philip Abdoo, Jerver Abrego, Talia Alessandro, Sondra Angelone, Emmanuel Bejaran, Tabitha Belbin, Heather Birchmore, Chelsea Blauvelt, Michelle Bolduc, Erika Boyd, Rachel Brooks

Joseph Buzun, Richard Collard, Colleen Cannon, Alexander Carey, Alexandra Chipman, George Chongris, Doris Claffey, Justin Colantuoni, Leah Connor, Danielle Craven, Amanda Curran

Michelle D'Orazio, Raeanne Depamphilis, Anna Doten, Amanda Drilis, Adam Duchemin, Michaela Dutra-Lowell, Steven Essler, Danielle Evers, James Ferrante, Angela Fisher, Jonathan Flores

Jessica Forrester, Britany Frazier, Adrianna Frost, Kathryn Gallagher, Paige Gallagher, Nicholas Galloway, Dean Gillette, Corey Ginchereau, Jordan Gonzalez, Amanda Gonzalez-Oneil, Christopher Grant

Ashley Groves, James Hall, Jonathan Hallinan, Lauren Hamel, Katherine Henry, Julianne Hill, Marcous Hosman, Amanda Howell, Natalie Hristopoulos, Cody Hulbert, Karen Hutchings

Arthur Hyatt, Terry Ke, Taylor King, David Knight, Kaitlyn Kyser, Brittany Lake, Christopher Larry, Amber Lavoie, Jessica Lima, Sarah Maldonado, Sabrina Markham, Reva Martell

Jannelle Matos, Jillian Matte, Jacob Maynard, Simona McCartney, Katie McManus, Kelly McNiff, Amanda Mede, Robert Mercurio, Brittany Morgridge, Kellie Murray, Joseph Naffah

Katrina Nichols, Kelly Noonan, Krystal Palmer, Robert Perocchi, Benjamin Pike, Samantha Pankey, Rosanna Pouliot, Connie Rascon, Emmalina Rodriguez, Briana Rowe, Paige Sanseverino

Daniel Saulnier, Samuel Schnare, Tyler Seaboyer, Chris Spadafora, Carissa Speight, Zachary Spencer, Emily Spidale, Karrie Strickland, Christopher Tognazzi, Edward Tranfaglia, Madeline Troncoso

Tiffany True, Kourtney Tyler, Franki Vetrano, Olsen, Stephanie Walsh, Michael Watt, Shareena Werner, Nathanael Whittier, Mollie Wilson, Gregory Willis

Freshmen

Melissa Alicea, Keith Anderson, Jessica Baribeau, Nicole Barker, Hannah Barnes, Timothy Berube, Briana Bransfield, Kaleigh Brashears-Jozoko, Mia Carey, Samantha Christie, Vincent Coelho

Stephanie Coffill, Nicole Comppen, Alexander Connery, Ethan Coulon, Douglas Crapo, Amy Croughwell, Joseph Cruz, Joshua Cruz, Lorena Cruz, Courtney Daly, Nicholas D'Amato

Holly Davenport, Amanda D'Avolio, Elizabeth Dealmeida, Kaitlyn Delisle, Sarah Demarco, Bridget Denuccio, Krystal Diefenbach, Kiah Domoradki, Phillip Donovan, Kelsey Drelick, Andrew Durkee

Rachel Eager, Anthony Eaton, Logan Edgerly, Nicholas Ferry, Caitlin Fitzpatrick, Carly Fleming, Jordan Fonseca, Laura Franklin, Christine Garcia, Trinidad Gilbert, Amanda Gill

Amanda Gioacchini, Kevin Goulart, Jamie Harding, Leah Hering, Rebecca Holt, Lauren Holz, Kourtney Jellison, Natasha Kamon, Casey Kearin, Sarah Keyes, Cody Laliberte

Erin Lavin, Courtney Leone, Joseph Lyons III, Jason Matses, Taylor Maynard, Tiffany McCarthy, Timothy Melanson, Jeffrey Mercedes, Casandra Miller, Sara Misrati, Casey Moran

Stephanie Muise, Jessica Munson, Stephen Nelson, Corinne Oliva, Henry Ortega, Sarah Ouellette, Liz Pabon, Samantha Pare, Stacie Parker, Bria Pelletier, Zerimar Pena

Marlene Perez, Gianna Piotti, Aimee Plante, Keelinn Powers, Krystal Puchtler, Jacqueline Purvinis, Breanna Ricci, Christopher Rita, Richard Rivera, Yarushka Rivera, Edwin Santana

Amanda Sax, Carly Seale, Jessica Silva, Charris Spadafora, Alicia Tarr, Catherine Thomson, Amy Titus, Courtney Toohey, Kristina Tranfaglia, Justin Valenti, Katie Valliere

Kareen Vargas, Alicia Viola, Claudia Weaver, Allison Williams, Bethany Williams, Alyssa Wright, Sarah Young

CLARE
Saulnierville

Cross Country

Record: Boys 2-5, Girls 5-1

Graduating Seniors: Teresa Rosa, Jill Moore, Kevin Lamontagne, Amy Swan, Renee Malionek, Hillary Woodland, Dan Gougian

Captains: Renee Malionek, Kevin Lamontagne, Teresa Rosa, Amy Swan.

Members: Juniors. – Renee Provost, Sam Murray, Steve Amirault,
Sophmores – Jacob Maynard, Anna Doten, Tim Spinney
Freshman. – Casey Moran, Keelinn Powers

Graduating Seniors: Kevin Lamontagne, Christopher Clark

Captains: Kevin Lamontagne, Christopher Clark

Members: Jacob Maynard, Philip Abdoo, Sean Pierce, George Chongris, Michael Watt, Anthony Vitulli, Nicholas Desousa, Luis Carrion, Argenis Gomez, Moses Jimenez, Robert Mercurio

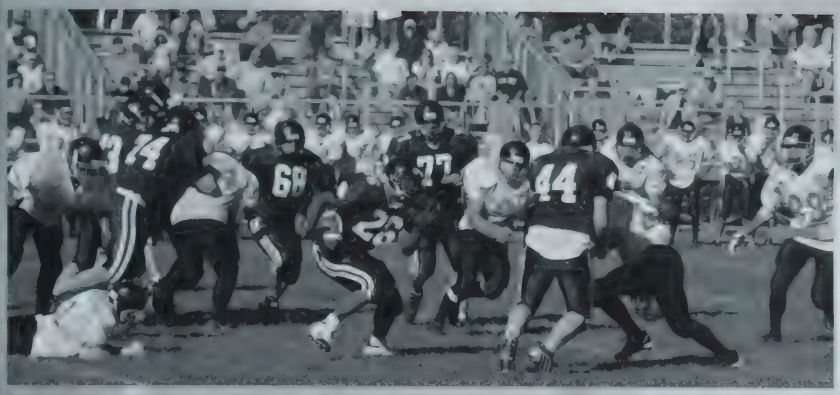
Boys Basketball

Graduating Seniors: Meghan Vatcher, Jayna Davis, Gabrielle Melancon, Leigh Trueira, Conchetta Jenifer.

Captains: Jayna Davis, Gabrielle Melancon, Meghan Vatcher, Leigh Trueira.

Members: Junior: Andrea Danskin, Elaine Pittas, Chelsea Stephens, Bonnie McConnachie, Renee Provost, Christina Roman. Sophmore: Tiffany True, Rosanna Pouliot, Kellie Murray, Adriana Frost, Jessica Lima. Freshman: Tiffany McCarthy, Briana Bransfield, Nicole Comppen.

Girls Basketball



Co-op Sports

Soccer- 2 - 13- 1
Football- League Champions 7-3
Volleyball- League Champions 13-8
Baseball- League Champions 13-5
Softball- League Champions 18-5

"To err is human, to purr is feline."
Robert Byrne

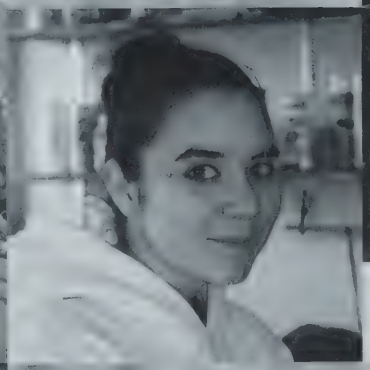
The greatest pleasure of a dog is that you may make a fool of yourself with him and not only will he not scold you, but he will make a fool of himself, too.

Samuel Butler

Agri- Business

"When I play with my cat, who knows whether she is not amusing herself with me more than I with her." ~

Montaigne



"The bird of paradise alights only upon the hand that does not grasp."

John Berry

Environmental

Look deep into nature, and then you will understand everything better.

Albert Einstein

Be a yardstick of quality. Some people aren't used to an environment where excellence is expected.

Steve Jobs

Science

When one tugs at a single thing in nature, he finds it attached to the rest of the world.

John Muir

Thousands of tired, nerve-shaken, over-civilized people are beginning to find out that going to the mountains is going home; that wildness is necessity; that mountain parks and reservations are useful not only as fountains of timber and irrigating rivers, but as fountains of life.

John Muir

The artist is the confidant of nature, flowers carry on dialogues with him through the graceful movements of their stems and the harmoniously tinted nuances of their corollas. Every flower has a cordial word which nature directs towards him.

Auguste Rodin

The earth laughs in flowers.

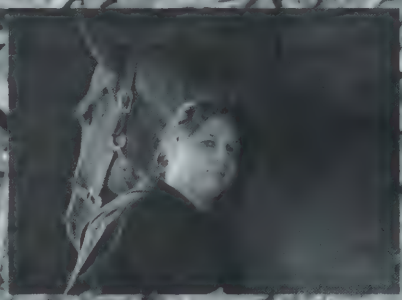
FLORICULTURE

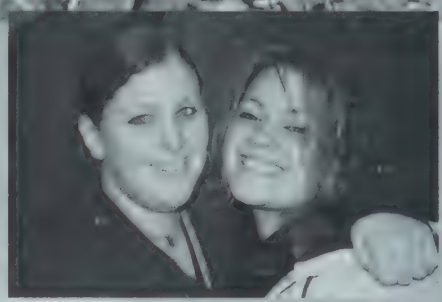
I hope that while so many people are out smelling the flowers, someone is taking the time to plant some.
— Herbert Rappaport

[illegible] of flowers in [illegible] can give a sense [illegible] bad day - like [illegible] a poem or saying a prayer. [illegible]

Flowers are the sweetest things God ever made and forgot to put a soul in them.
— [illegible]

Horse





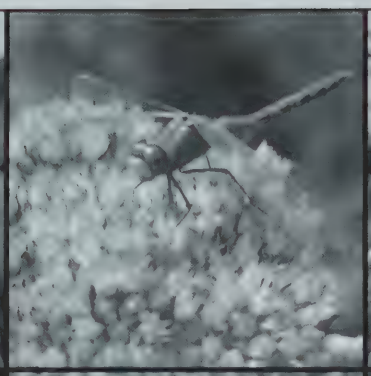
"The sight of that pony did something to me I've never quiet been able to explain. He was more than tremendous strength and speed and beauty of motion. He set me dreaming"

Walt Morey

Management

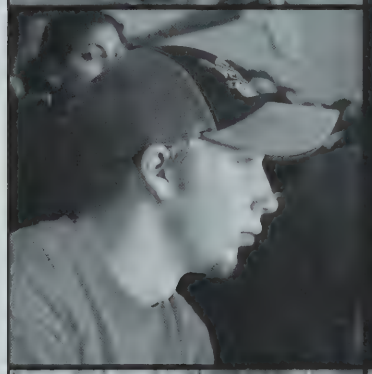
"here is something about the outside of a horse that is good for the inside of a man"

Winston Churchill



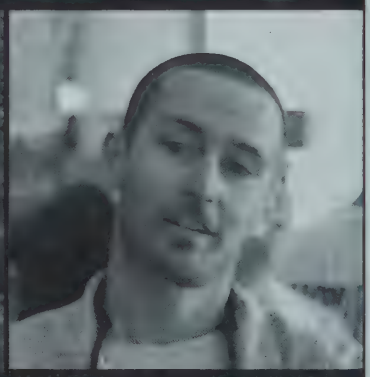
I would feel more optimistic about a bright future for man if he spent less time proving that he can outwit Nature and more time tasting her sweetness and respecting her seniority.

-William Westmoreland,



Everybody needs beauty as well as bread, places to play in and pray in, where nature may heal and give strength to body and soul.

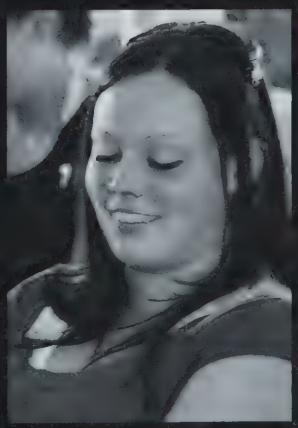
John Muir



Natural Resources

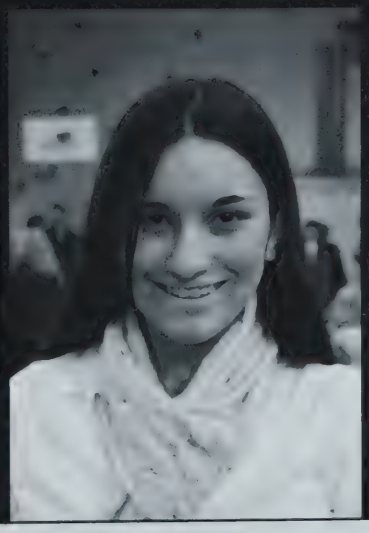
Although human subtlety makes a variety of inventions by different means to the same end, it will never devise an invention more beautiful, more simple, or more direct than does nature, because in her inventions nothing is lacking, and nothing is superfluous.

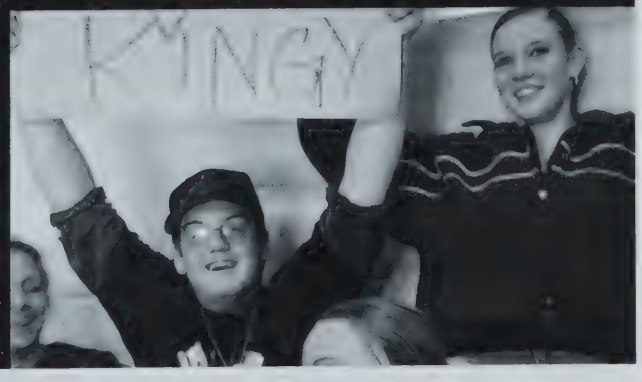
Leonardo DaVinci



If a child is to keep alive his inborn sense of wonder, he needs the companionship of at least one adult who can share it, rediscovering with him the joy, excitement and mystery of the world we live in.

Rachel Carson





ORNAMENTAL

The landscape represented a sanctuary of protection and peaceful comfort. I try to guard the beauty and privacy of it with respect and consideration.

Walter Annenberg

For me, a landscape does not exist in its own right, since its appearance changes at every moment; but the surrounding atmosphere brings it to life – the light and the air which vary continually. For me, it's only the surrounding atmosphere which gives subjects their true value.

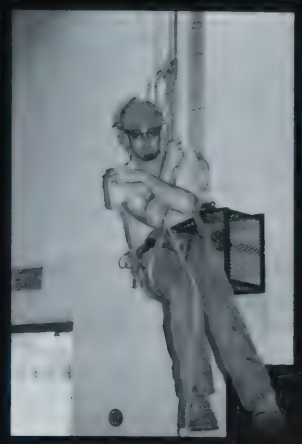
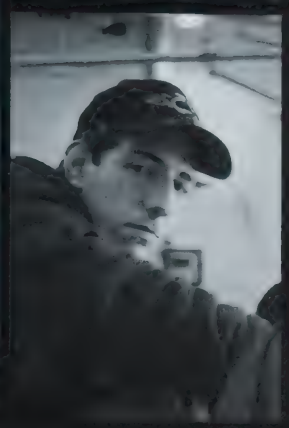
Claude Monet

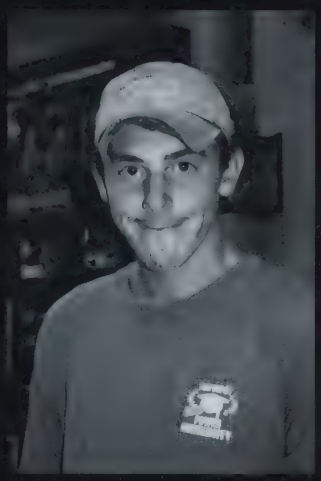
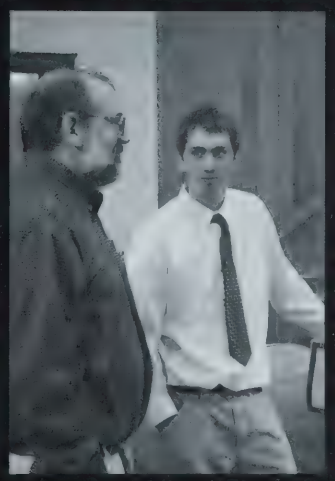
Painting the landscape was, in a sense, another means of exerting control, of imposing order on the disorderly.

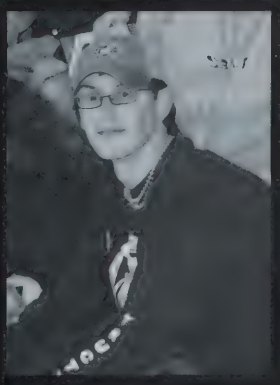
Tracy Kidder

I much prefer a landscape with something man made in it. It adds the dimension of art or artifice, and I like that.

Jim Woodring

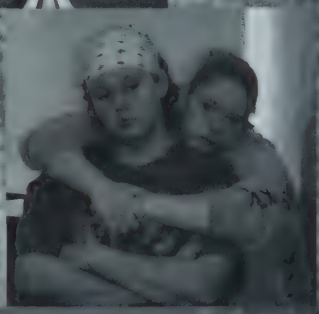



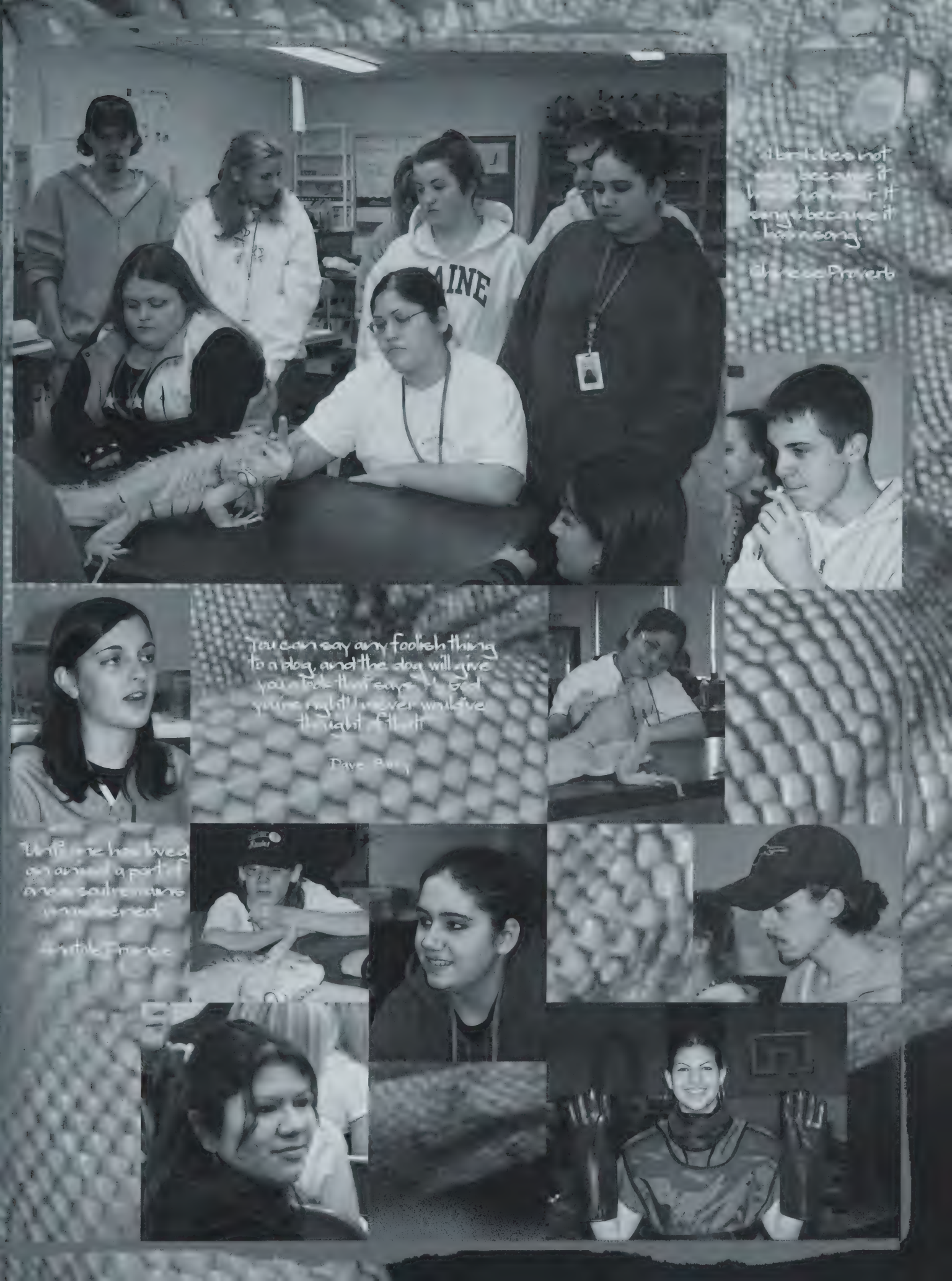


HORTICULTURE

VET-TECH

Animals are such agreeable friends - they ask no questions, they pass no criticisms.
George Eliot




AINE
It isn't because it is hard that we don't dare it is because we don't dare it that it is hard.
Chinese Proverb
You can say any foolish thing to a dog, and the dog will give you a look that says he's sure you're right. I never wish I've thought of that.
Dave Barry
Until one has loved an animal a part of one's soul remains unaroused.
Anatole France

Best Looking

Matt McDaid
&
Hillary Woodland

Most Athletic

Kevin Lamontagne
&
Rachel Havrilla

Mr. Demsey's
Best Friends

Joe Fowler
&
Pam Hudson

Highest Insurance Premiums

Andrew Nieman
&
Erin Hensley

Best Male Friends

David Noseworthy,
Charlie Panacopoulos,
& Richie Palmer

&

Best Female Friends

Teresa Rosa
&
Jill Moore

Most Eccentric

Alita Brenner-Savory
&
Dan Gougian

Most Flirtatious

Shana Eno
&
Darrin Carty

Most Entertaining

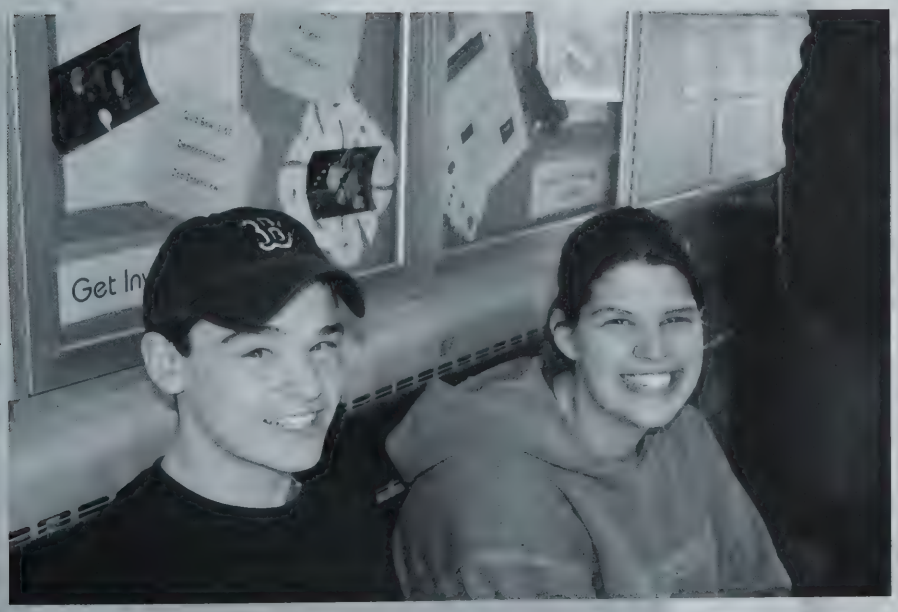
Greg Harding
&
Erica Laboy

Best Sense of Humor

Jason McCarthy
&
Sherri Dodge

Shyest

Kraig Spinale
&
Ashley Philpot



Best Smile

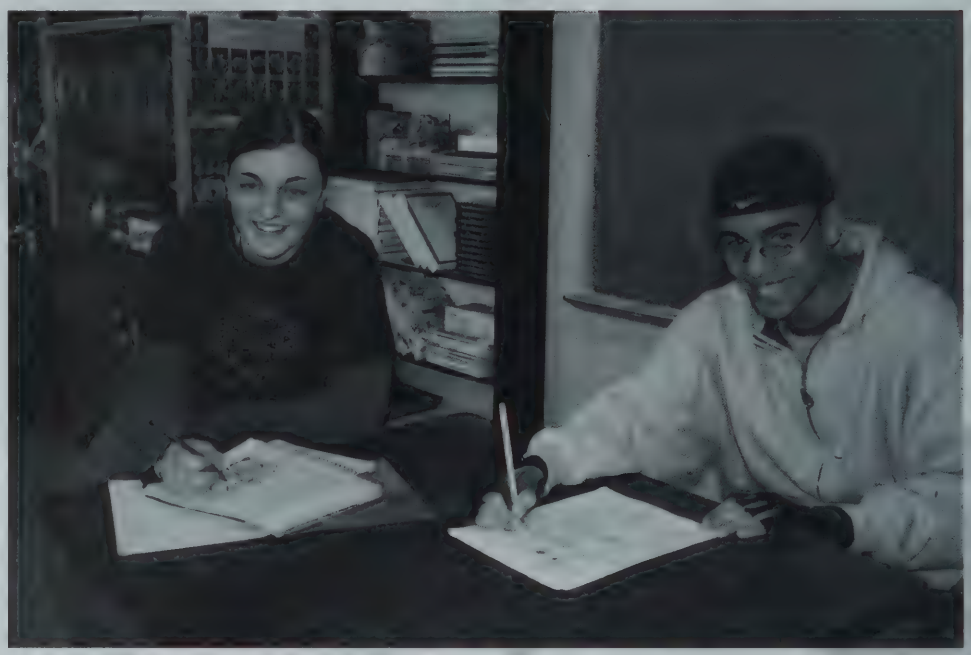
TJ Berube
&
Amanda Ouellet

Most Likely to Succeed

Dakota Knight
&
Renee Malionek

Most Artistic

Caralyn
Backman
&
Jose Garcia



Most Outspoken

Cory Marchand
&
Morgan Leblanc

Most School Spirit

Shaina Pilz
&
Charlie Panacopoulos

Romeo and Juliet

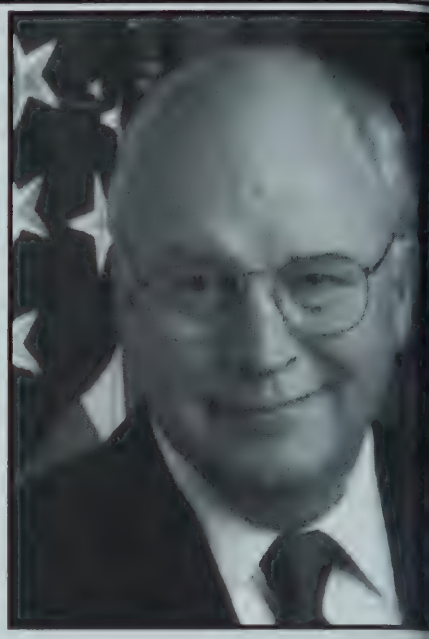
Ashley Freccero
&
Anthony Fiory IV

Most Social

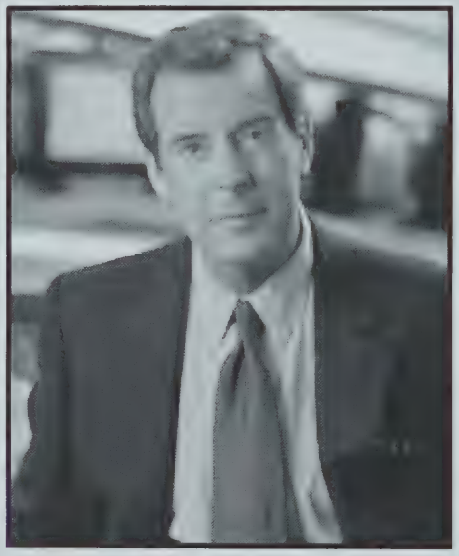
Ricky Chakoutis
&
Ashley George

People in the News

Rosa Parks, the "mother of the civil rights movement," simply stood her ground in her spite of the injustice. She stirred up unrest within many an African Americans heart, causing a city wide boycott of the buses, in which they walked everywhere, for more then a year! She won many medals, and recognition for her brave act. She died October 24, 2005.

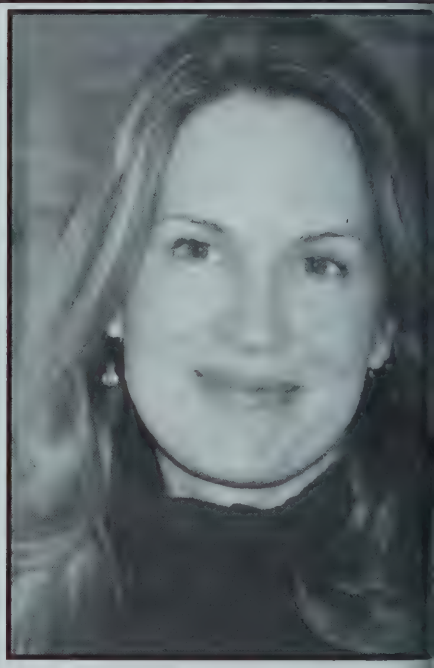


Vice President Dick Cheney was "under the gun" after a hunting accident in which his campaign contributor Harry Whittington was injured.



ABC News Anchor Peter Jennings passed away on August 7, 2005 at the age of 67. Jennings was the anchor and senior editor of ABC's "World News Tonight" and the author, with Todd Brewster, of the acclaimed New York Times best seller, "The Century."

Pope John Paul II served for almost 27 years. One of the most traveled popes ever, he reached out to the Third World, and also inspired his fellow Poles with visits to Poland when it was still under Soviet occupation. He was the first non-Italian pope in more than 400 years.



Dana Reeve, an actress who became an advocate for the disabled after her husband, Christopher Reeve became paralyzed, died of lung cancer at the age of 44.

Tom Cruise and Katie Holmes announced their engagement in June 2005. Below, the "couch incident" on the Oprah Show.

Massachusetts' own Dane Cook made us laugh with his stand-up comedy.

Flood of 2006

Record rainfall totals between 10 and 15 inches fell in some areas in northeastern Massachusetts, and 3 to 8 inches fell in most other areas of Massachusetts between May 12 and 16.

This rainfall caused most rivers in northeastern Massachusetts to reach record-high and near-record-high flows that are estimated to occur about once every 40-150 years. The Merrimack, Ipswich, Saugus, and Parker Rivers were the most severely affected in Massachusetts.

May 12 - 16, 2006

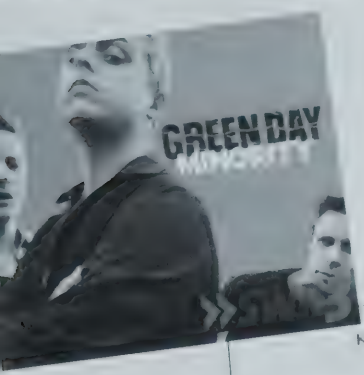
ıe rising waters damaged roads, idges, basements and vehicles. ımages in Essex County alone the ere estimated to be at least $2.2 illion. More than 240 dams, cluding 34 high-hazard dams, ere affected, as were 170 bridges.

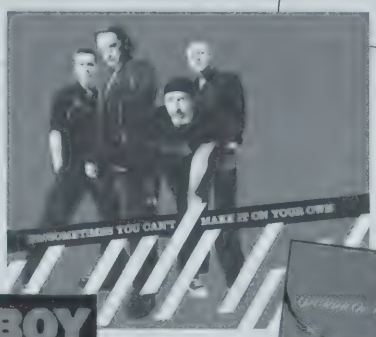
Firefighters, police and rescue crews worked hard to help out residents that had to evacuate their homes. Experts called the Flood of 2006 the worst flooding since 1936.

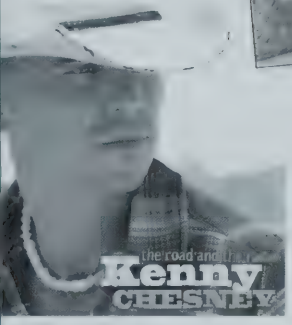
Hurricane Katrina

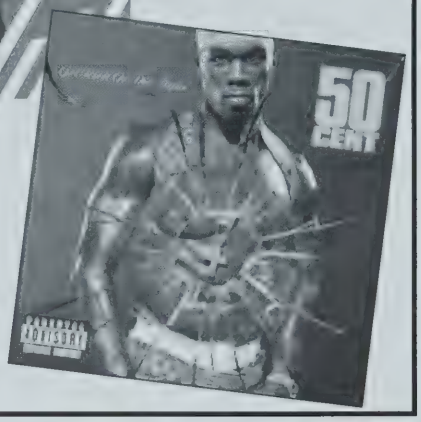
Katrina formed over the Bahamas on August 23, 2005 and crossed southern Florida as a minimal hurricane before strengthening in the Gulf of Mexico. On August 29 it became a category 3 and hit the southeast part of Louisiana. The surge caused major to catastrophic damage along the coastline of Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama. About 80 percent of the city of New Orleans was flooded. Hurricane Katrina was responsible for about $75 billion in damages and over 1,000 deaths.

Tunes of our Times









Conflict in Iraq

The ongoing conflict in the Middle East continues to be a topic of great debate througout the United States. We have all been touched by family and friends that have participated in active duty.

Students for Enviormental Action

Art Club

Senior Class Reps

You know you go to the Aggie when...

you carry a clorox bleach pen in your pocket
you have a piece of clothing that everyone in your class has signed
you can't stand with a group in a circle
it's not a good day if you don't get your hands dirty
you have different backpacks for different days
you're back to school shopping includes work boots, mosquito spray, and duct tape
you know the difference between fur and fir
you're more comfortable driving a tractor than a car
you don't mind smelling like the horse barn
you've been chased down by cows
you end up going home with tools in your back pocket
the administrators and their dogs greet you when you come into school in the morning
when you look out the classroom window you see people in trees
rain, sleet and snow will not keep you from your appointed class
you're scared to drink water out of any hose on campus
you've earned at least one blister from sweeping and/or raking
you know all the organisms that live in the pond
burn day is a highly anticipated event
it takes you an hour and a half to get home on the late bus
the highlight of your day is getting to drive the jake instead of having to walk to the veg garden
you can tell which major was in the classroom before you by the smell
you know the difference between a pistil and petiole

MASSACHUSETTS

ESSEX

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Essex Aggie

Last Will Testament

I, Amanda Cuellet, leave all my bags of marshmallows to Mrs. Jennifer Dawe Skane.

I, TJ Berube, leave my locker contents to Mrs. Pastelis.

I, Chris Clark, leave my love to Mrs. Pastelis.

I, Catherine Paganelli, leave high school drama to anyone who wants to be part of it.

I, Gabrielle Melancon, leave all my smelly prom pictures to Ms. Grima, and my nickname to Sarah Cuellette.

I, Shaina Pilz, leave all the good times in the barn to future horse management classes.

I, Kevin Lamontagne, leave five dollars to anyone who can find my radio.

I, Wilka Murphy, leave a lot of gum to Mr. Raucci.

I, Jason McCarthy, leave the teachers to under classmen.

I, Nikki Lauranzano, leave the lunch table to Tim Berube.

I, Jill Moore, leave Hooper to Chibbon C (take good care of her.)

I, Andrew Nieman, leave the tractor to the juniors.

I, Nikki Pellegrino, leave the "board walk" to Krystal Palmer.

I, Jayna Davis, leave high school to the rest of you.

I, Artemis- Artio Don Metsa Noita Nightwolf, leave my fun weird obsession with goddesses to Jessica Baribeau.

I, Jessica Conley, leave my clown to the speakers of the school.

I, Nick Arba, leave my fear of heights to Mr. King.

I, Sharon Berry, leave JD to Ms. Abdella.

I, Jerie Baribeau, leave my favorite land turtle to my sister Jessica Baribeau.

I, Darrin Carty, leave everything to everyone.

I, Sherri Dodge, leave the broken desk to Mr. Banos (sorry☺)

I, Shanna Belanger, leave my memories and love, and friendship to Ms Gillis who is my inspiration!!

I, Courtney Sawicki, leave gushers to anyone who wants them

I, Jessica Scales, leave Sugar my favorite horse to the horse management classes

I, Jennifer Rodier, leave my books and my locker to the new freshman

I, Leigh Trueira, leave locker #231 to Krystal Diefenbeck

I, Megan Vatcher, leave my basketball number 21 to Briana Bransfield

I, Danica Sisolak, leave my parking space to any junior or new senior

I, Pamela Proodian, Leave my favorite locker in lab 1#36 to the next lucky senior

I, Estrella Rosado, leave my teachers to all that are still in this school

I, Tina Wood, leave my seat on the bus #2 on the right side second seat from the back to Amy Croughwell

I, Jerika Rodriguez, leave my ghettoness to anyone that needs it

I, Erica Martella, leave the stop sign pole to Chris Larry

I, Keyontie Millner, leave my pass to Mr. Hill to Keimy Ortiz

I, Ripley Doten, leave my sister Anna absolutely nothing because shes a traitor and went into plant science

I, Dana Inostroza, leave my parking spot, smile, and laughter to Leah Herring

I, Rachel Havrilla, leave my sweatshirts to Jessica Lima

I, Conchetta Jennifer, leave my air forces, and hot style in clothes to Adrianna G Frost

I, Danielle Grucci, leave all good and bad memories from the Aggie to who ever wants them

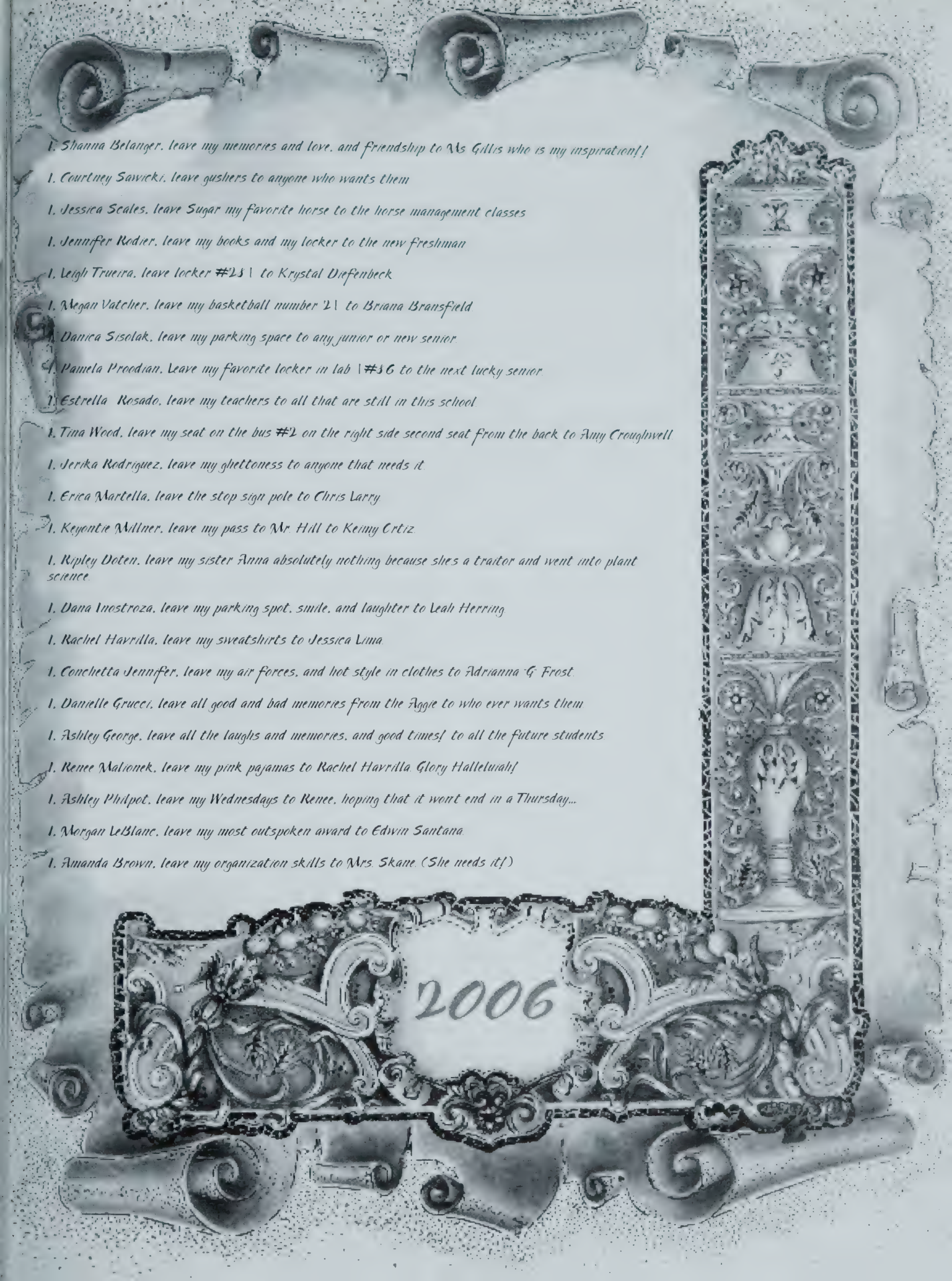
I, Ashley George, leave all the laughs and memories, and good times! to all the future students

I, Renee Malionek, leave my pink pajamas to Rachel Havrilla Glory Halleluiah!

I, Ashley Philpot, leave my Wednesdays to Renee, hoping that it wont end in a Thursday...

I, Morgan LeBlanc, leave my most outspoken award to Edwin Santana

I, Amanda Brown, leave my organization skills to Mrs. Skane (She needs it!)



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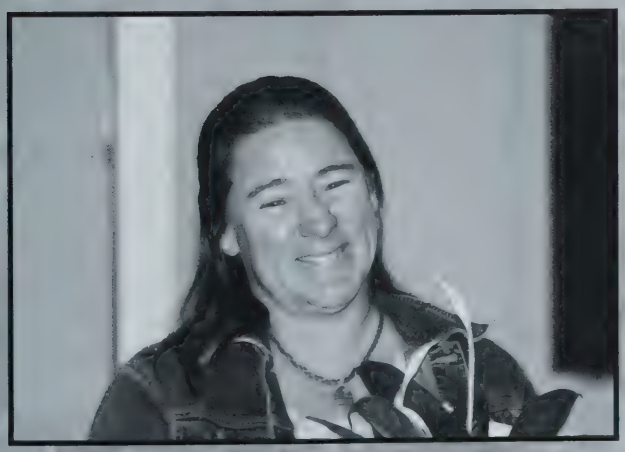

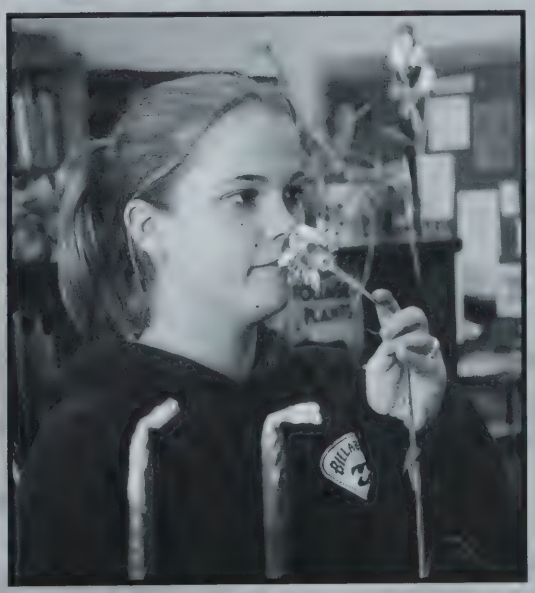

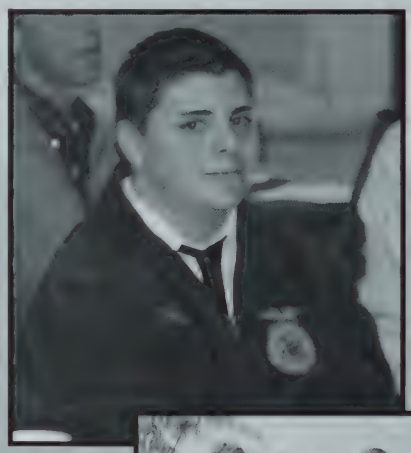

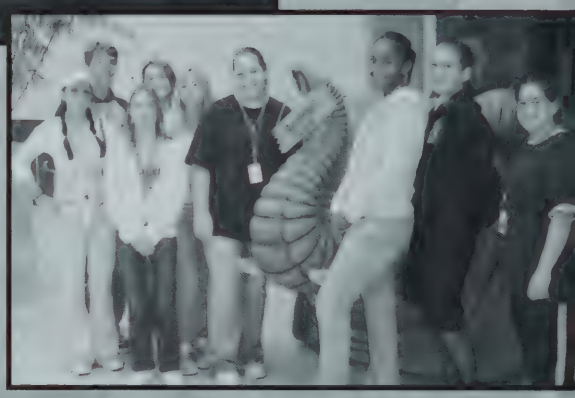

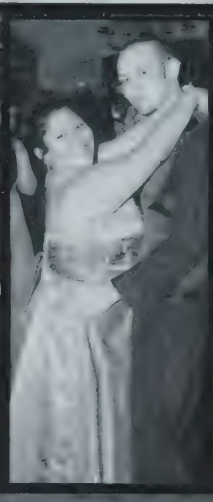

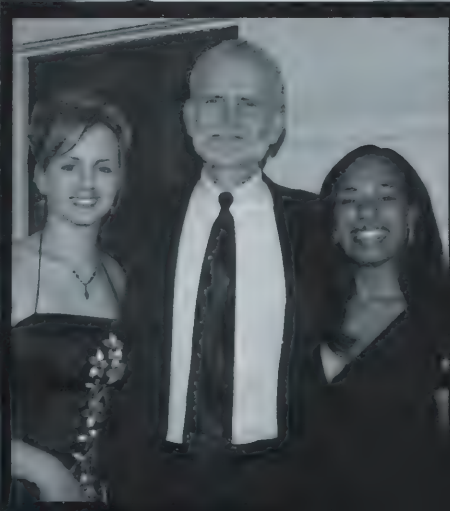
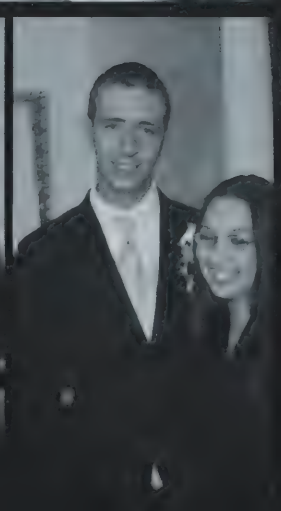

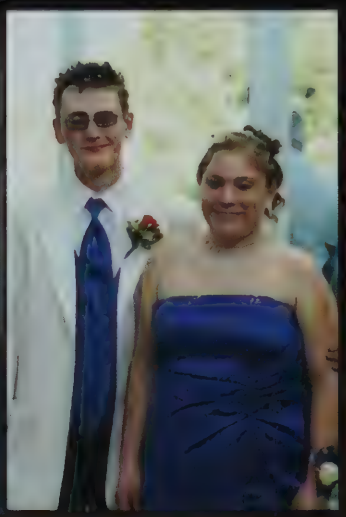
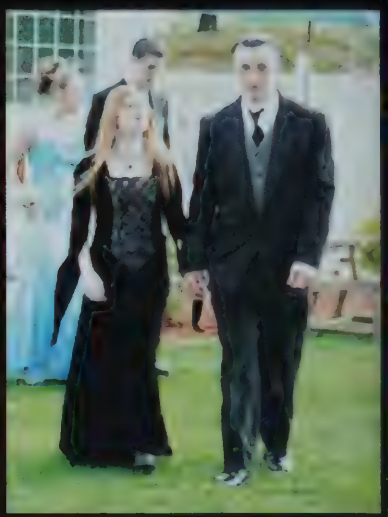

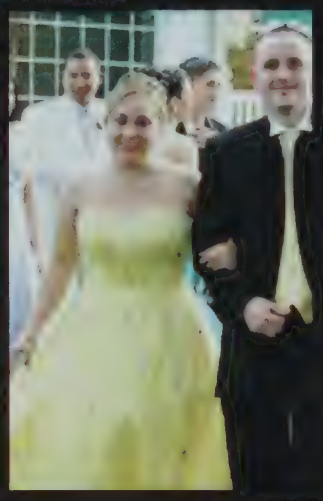

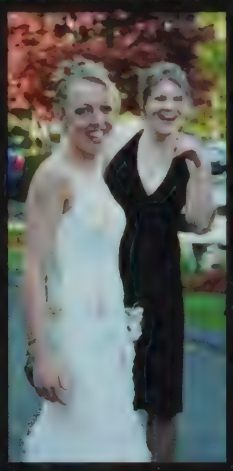

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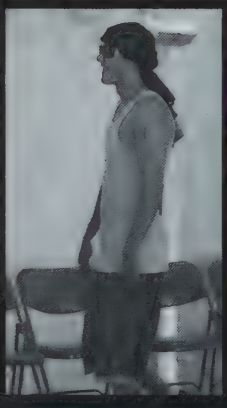

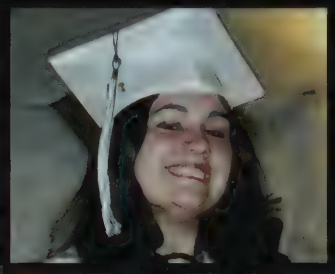

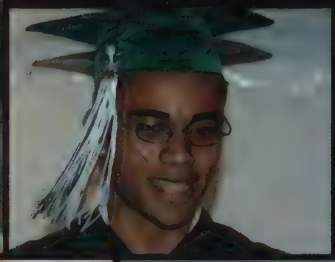

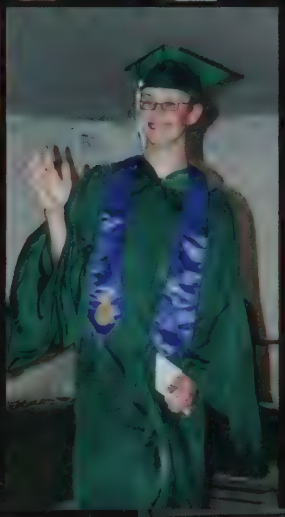

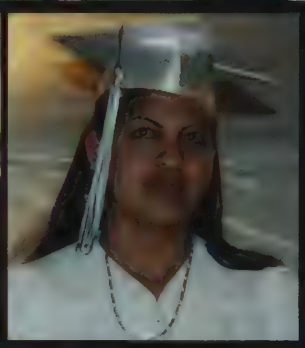

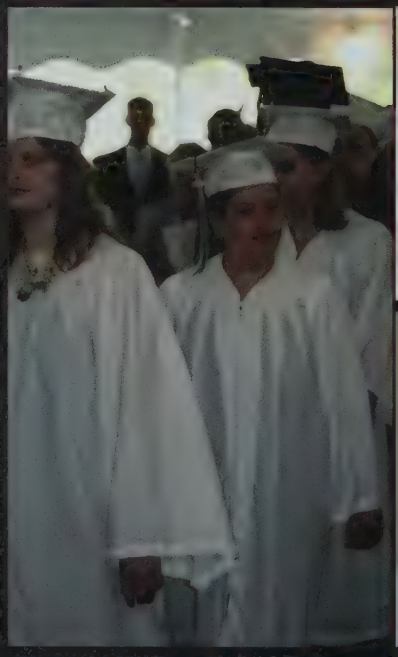

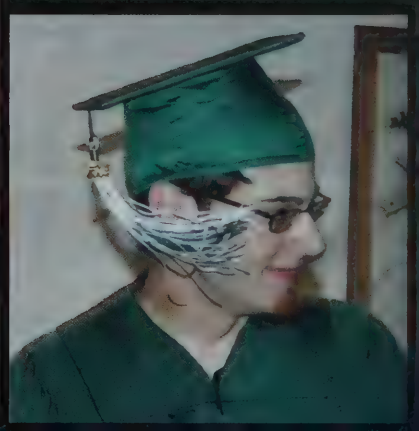

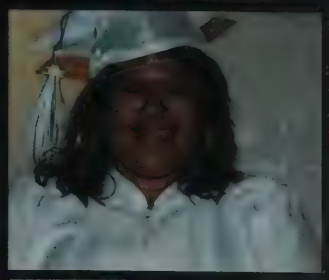
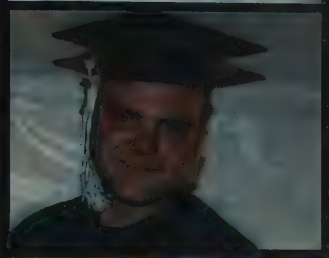

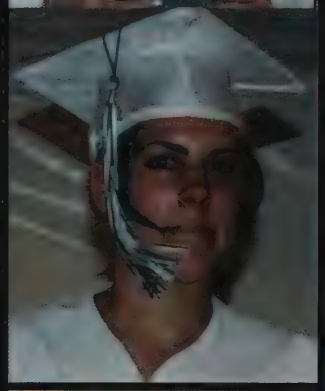

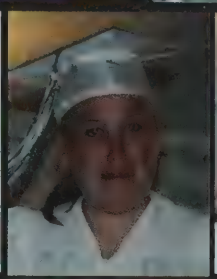
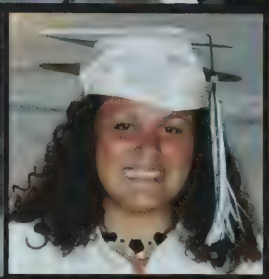

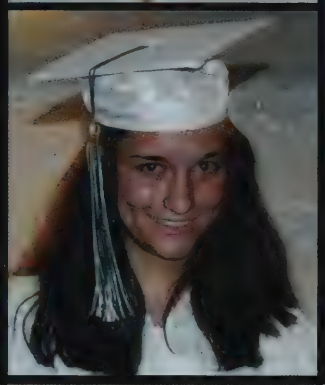

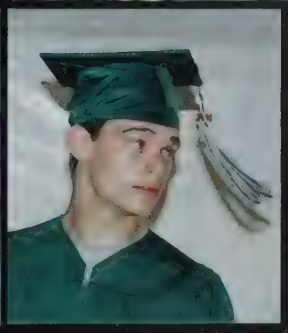

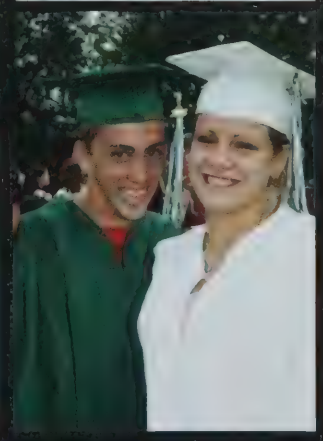

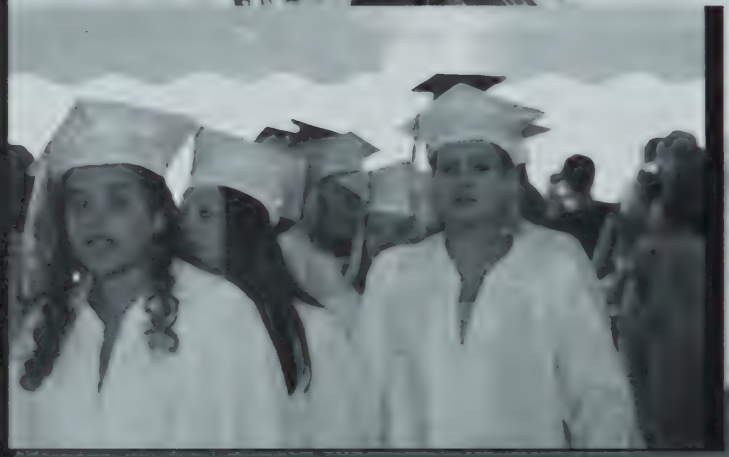

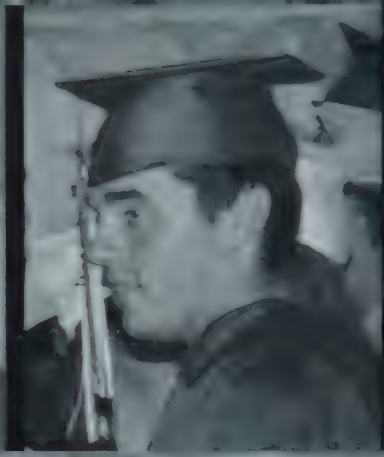

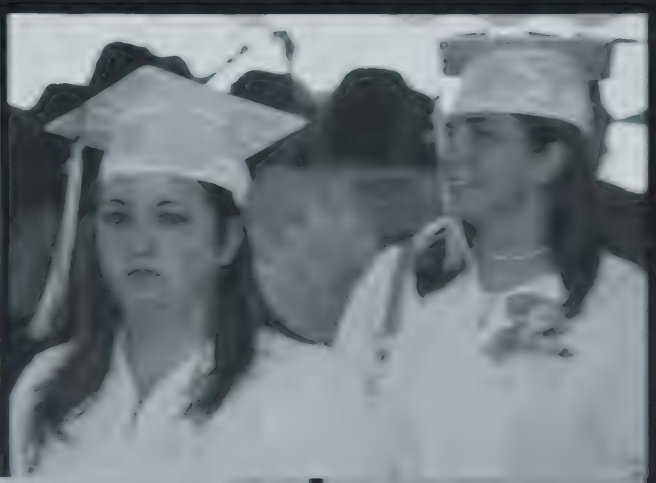
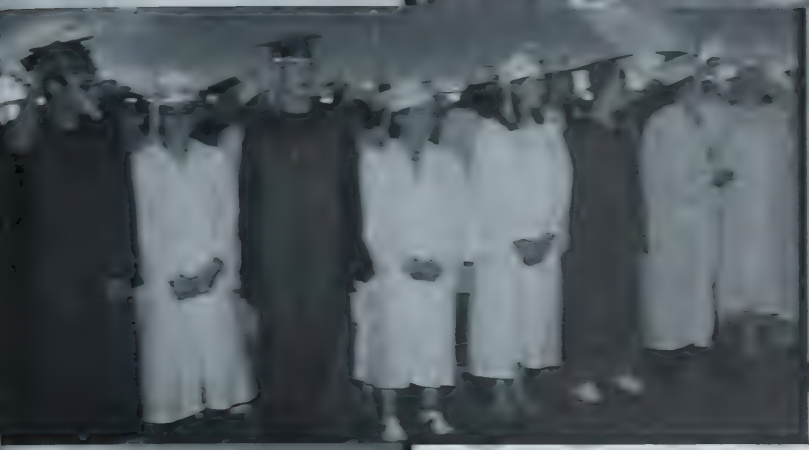

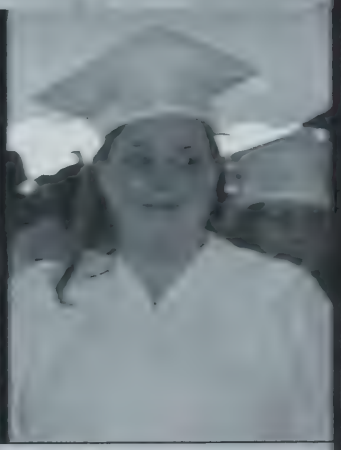

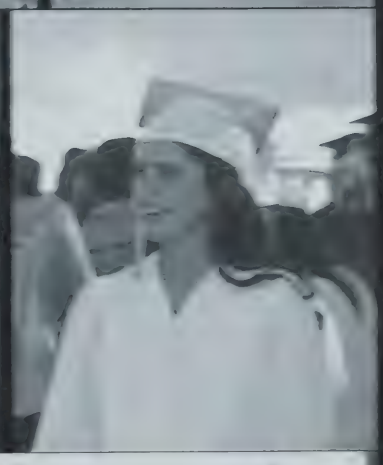

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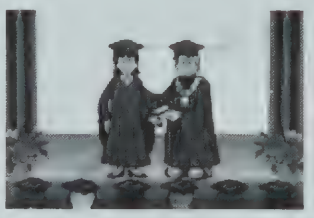

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To All of My Daughter Shaina's Teachers

Thank you for making her high school years enjoyable

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To All of Shaina's Friends!

Best of Luck in the future. We're very happy to have met all of you!

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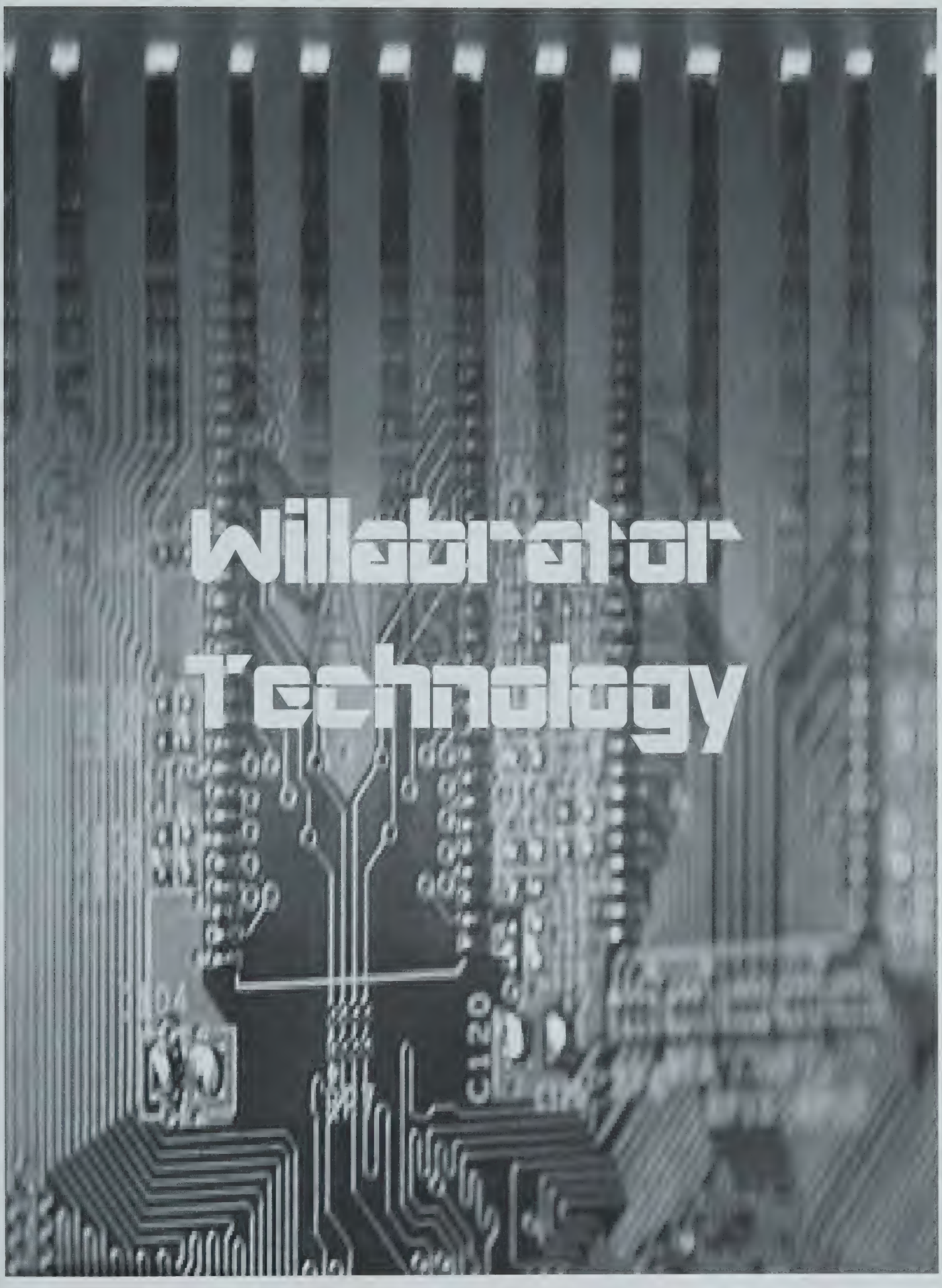

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Love Mom, Dad, Samantha, and Max.

Jessica,
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▲ **UNDERGROUND TERROR.** London's busy transit system came to a standstill when three bombs exploded on the Underground and a fourth blew apart a double-decker bus. Two extremist Islamic groups claimed credit for the 56 dead and more than 700 injured. Three of the four bombers, who all died in the attacks, were homegrown, not foreign militants. Two weeks later, a second wave of attacks failed and British police quickly made four arrests. The manhunt continues for co-conspirators. (Dylan Martinez/AP)

▲ **NATURE'S FURY.** After making landfall, hurricane Stan's torrential rains caused massive mudslides in the highlands of Guatemala. Entire villages were engulfed, in effect becoming mass graves. In all, hurricane Stan left about 1,300 people dead in Central America and thousands homeless.

(Kent Gilbert/AP)

World

▼ **MAKING HIS MARK.** Joseph Cardinal Ratzinger is the first German pope since Hadrian VI in 1523. Even so, some Germans had reservations about a hard-line conservative as spiritual leader of the world's one billion Roman Catholics. But other Germans saw his election as a national honor and gave Ratzinger, who assumed the name Benedict XVI, a hero's welcome when he made his first trip as pope to Germany for World Youth Day.

(Laurent Cabalion/Abaca Press/KRT)

▲ **AFTERSHOCKS.** A massive earthquake rocked the Kashmir region bordering Pakistan and northern India, killing more than 73,000 and leaving some three million homeless. With aid efforts hampered by the remoteness of the mountain region, relief workers feared the death toll would continue to mount long afterwards.

(Timothy Smith-U.S. Navy/KRT)

▶ **'IT'S GREAT TO BE ALIVE.'**

Even after he was rescued and back home on Canadian soil, James Loney (right) said he could hardly believe everything that had happened. Four months earlier, he and three other members of an international Christian aid organization had been kidnapped in Baghdad and held by a group that threatened to kill them unless Iraqi prisoners were freed. The body of one of the hostages, American Tom Fox, was later found, but the fate of the other three was unknown until a tip led a team of British and U.S. soldiers, Royal Canadian Mounted Police officers and members of a Canadian special forces unit to an unguarded house. There they found Loney, fellow Canadian Harmeet Singh Sooden (left) and Briton Norman Kember, who were in chains, but otherwise okay.

(Christian Peacemaker/AP)

▲ **BREAKING THE MOLD.** Angela Merkel (above with Ivica Racan, leader of the Croatian Democratic Union, became Germany's 2nd woman chancellor. Her achievement was also remarkable for that area as an East—someone from the former East Germany—in a political system traditionally dominated by West Germans.

TURBULENT TIMES. In several decades certain [illegible] appeared [illegible] Tito and Yugoslavia. Tito was in charge of choices [illegible] humanity [illegible] some recovery [illegible] The proceedings [illegible] anything more than a show trial—a point Saddam had known with his compatriots [illegible] hold [illegible] under a constitution [illegible] had written. But the resulting [illegible] government was [illegible] and fighting in some parts of Iraq was so fierce it raised the specter of civil war.

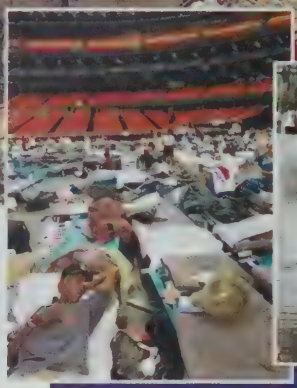
▲ **BIRD FLU MIGRATION.** Almost millions of birds were culled in Italy in an effort to stop the H5N1 virus of avian influenza. A concern is spread [illegible] migratory birds—such as [illegible] and Europe. The Europe [illegible] than half of the people who [illegible] infected in Indonesia [illegible] contact with infected birds. Scientists feared the virus could mutate into a form easily passed among humans, unleashing a global pandemic.

◀ **SOME PEOPLE COLLECT STAMPS.** British adventurer Steve Fossett has set world records in mountain climbing, sailing, hot-air ballooning and aviation. He added No. 110 to his collection—the longest flight by any aircraft—by piloting the Virgin Atlantic GlobalFlyer over 26,389 miles in 76 hours 45 minutes. (Terry Renna/AP)

▼ **NO LAUGHING MATTER.** When a leading newspaper in Denmark published 12 editorial cartoons that violated the Islamic prohibition against depicting the Prophet Muhammad, Danish Muslims objected. Told it was a free-speech issue, they sought support in the Middle East. From there, the local controversy morphed into an international incident as Muslim outrage spread across the Internet—and spilled onto streets around the world. The cycle escalated as more publications in Europe and North America reprinted the cartoons, boycotts were mounted, ambassadors recalled, and protests in some parts of the Muslim world were so violent that nearly a dozen participants were killed. (Shakil Adil/AP)

◀ **THE BUMBLEBEE SHOULDN'T FLY EITHER.** The world's largest airliner, the Airbus A380, flew to Iqaluit, Nunavut, in Canada's Far North for extreme cold-weather testing before going into commercial service in late 2006. Europe's Airbus consortium spent more than 10 years and $13 billion developing the behemoth, which has room for 555 passengers, bars, gyms and duty-free shops on two decks. (Fabian Bimmer/AP)

(David Purdy-Biloxi Sun Herald/KRT)



(Jim MacMillan-Philadelphia Daily News/KRT)

(Memphis Donaghuede-Fort Worth Star-Telegram/KRT)

◀ **A KILLER NAMED KATRINA.** More than 1,300 people died and damages totaled some $70 billion after hurricane Katrina slammed into the Gulf Coast. Mississippi took the brunt of it; in Gulfport, for instance, the storm surge tossed giant shipping containers inland. In Louisiana, New Orleans was spared the highest winds—but then the levees broke, submerging 80 per cent of the city, including Canal Street, under oily, fetid water. In all, some 1.3 million people from the region were evacuated, including 7,000 who eventually were sheltered in Houston's Astrodome. City, state and federal officials were heavily criticized for their fumbling of the emergency, and the repercussions were felt for months afterward. Leaked transcripts of briefing meetings before Katrina struck disproved later claims by the President and others in the Bush administration that they hadn't been made fully aware of the magnitude of the impending disaster.

▶ **AND HER CLOBBERING COUSINS.** Even while Americans mopped up in Katrina's messy aftermath, hurricane Rita barreled into eastern Texas and western Louisiana. With lessons learned from Katrina, state officials ordered mandatory evacuations—and many residents obeyed. Even so, Rita's death toll was more than 100 and damages were estimated at $6 billion. And still the longest and most expensive tropical storm season on record was not yet over. It finally ended with Wilma ripping through Mexico's popular tourist region on the Yucatán Peninsula before flooding lower Florida.

(Smiley N. Pool-Dallas Morning News/KRT)

USA

◀ **ALL PUMPED UP.** Consumers felt the pain at their local service stations after hurricanes crippled Gulf Coast refineries, as well as oil and gas platforms, sending crude oil prices to a record high of $70.85 a barrel. Prices settled back somewhat, before starting to climb again amid fears about disruptions to summer 2006 energy supplies. Dwindling reserves, new environmental regulations and production shutdowns by large suppliers like Nigeria all contributed to the unease. (Ed Betz/AP)

▲ **IN MEMORIAM.** Peter Jennings, the [illegible] anchor of ABC's World News Tonight, died of lung cancer at age 67. An American citizen since 2003, the Canadian-born Jennings never finished high school. But his years as ABC's chief foreign correspondent served him well, earning him respect for his perspective on global events, which he took on the [illegible] job in 1983. [illegible]

◀ **SITTING TALL.** Rosa Parks, whose [illegible] at age 92. In 1955, Parks refused to give up her seat on a Montgomery, Ala., city bus to a white man. [illegible] laws gave her [illegible] to a protest movement that eventually changed the course of American history. [illegible]

▲ **THE FOG OF WAR.** On the third anniversary of the start of the U.S.-led war in Iraq, assessments of just what was being accomplished varied widely. More than 2,300 U.S. troops have died in the campaign, which so far has cost Americans some $400 billion. As those numbers mounted, and in the absence of a clear exit strategy, polls indicated that Americans' support for the war was steadily declining. George W. Bush's job-approval rating fell steadily at the same time, hitting a record low of 36 per cent. To counter the rising tide of protest, the President addressed his constituents' concerns about the struggle to transform the former dictatorship. Bush said he was pleased by Iraqi efforts toward democracy and to establishing a balance across Sunni Arab, Shiite Muslim and Kurdish factions. But some in Iraq painted a very different picture. Fighting among the three groups was so fierce in some regions, it prompted debate about whether Iraq was in a state of civil war. One U.S. general said the sectarian conflict had become a bigger threat to the 132,000 American soldiers stationed in Iraq than the insurgency. (Chuck Kennedy/KRT)

◀ **TRAGEDY IN MIAMI.** Two undercover air marshals shot and killed a man they'd followed onto a boarding bridge at Miami International Airport, after the man got on and then fled a flight bound for Orlando, Fla. The marshals, who claimed Rigoberto Alpizar made bomb threats, fired when he did not obey their orders to stop. The White House defended the marshals' actions, saying they followed both protocol and training. But no other witnesses said they heard the word "bomb." Instead, passengers described how Alpizar's wife, Anne Buechner, screamed that he had bipolar disorder and was off his medication. A form of mental illness also known as manic depression, the disorder can produce agitated, erratic behavior if not properly treated. (Alan Diaz/AP)

▲ **A JAB OF THE NEEDLE.** The high-profile state execution of California death-row inmate Stanley Tookie Williams reignited the public debate over capital punishment. His supporters (including rapper Snoop Dogg, above) had argued that the co-founder of the notorious Crips, convicted in 1981 of four robbery murders, deserved clemency for his anti-gang crusading while in prison. Ironically, his execution, which took 34 minutes due to trouble finding a vein in his arm to administer the lethal drugs, may have a wider impact than any philosophical argument. Referring to Williams's drawn-out death, a California district court judge launched an investigation after lawyers for another convicted murderer argued the injection procedure fails the constitution's ban on cruel and unusual punishment. The ruling has implications for all 36 states that practise capital punishment using lethal injection. (Jose Carlos Fajardo-Contra Costa)

▲ **WITHOUT A TRACE.** Foul play was suspected almost immediately after Natalee Holloway, a high-school senior from Birmingham, Ala., disappeared in May 2005 on the last night of a class trip to Aruba. Numerous searches of the tiny Caribbean island, however, produced little beyond hard feelings. Holloway's mother and stepfather, Beth and George "Jug" Twitty, grew frustrated by the lack of results, especially when some suspects were released from jail without being charged. Still, the couple lost the sympathy of many Arubans, who initially volunteered in the thousands to help search for the missing teen, after Beth Twitty accused local authorities of incompetence, or worse, a cover-up. Aruban police—who had, in fact, worked with the FBI—in turn blamed Twitty for hijacking the investigation. Still, one thing seemed clear: all the finger pointing hadn't solved the mystery of what happened to Natalee Holloway. (Leslie Mazoch/AP)

▼ **OUT OF RUNWAY.** A Southwest Airlines Boeing 737 slid off a snow-covered runway at Chicago's Midway International Airport and into a nearby intersection, where it crushed two cars, killing a six-year-old boy in one of the vehicles. About a dozen seriously injured people—pedestrians as well as other occupants of the cars—were also taken to hospital, but survived. (Frank Hanes-Chicago Tribune/KRT)

◄ **BONO-FIED STAR POWER.** It was a good year for Bono who opened the London leg of the Live 8 concert with Paul McCartney. The lead singer of U2 was also on hand when the perennially popular Irish group captured five more Grammys—for a career total of 20—for *How to Dismantle an Atomic Bomb*, including best album and best rock album. Now maybe Bono can go back to lecturing world leaders about the environment—or flogging iPods.

▲ **REVERSAL OF FORTUNE I.** It would be easy to dismiss the TV contest *Rock Star: INXS* as just a gimmick, except for the results. The venerable Australian band, floundering eight years after the suicide of lead singer Michael Hutchence, got a hip new front man. In turn, Canadian J.D. Fortune (second from left), a struggling entertainer who lived in his car before entering the contest, achieved a long-held dream beating out 14 other wannabes for the gig. A new hit album, *Switch*, and a sold-out North American concert tour followed, showing the band picked the right guy.

◄ **THAT'S GRATITUDE FOR YOU.** Kelly Clarkson, who in 2002 was voted the first *American Idol* winner, also became the first of the reality-show songsters to pick up a Grammy. In fact, she took home two—best pop vocal album for *Breakaway* and best female pop performance for her hit song *Since U Been Gone*. Funny thing though: in her acceptance speeches, a teary Clarkson thanked everyone but the TV talent show that made her famous.

Music

▼ **LIVE 8 ROCKED.** In 1985, Bob Geldof was the driving force behind Live Aid, a global music event that raised millions for Ethiopian famine relief. Twenty years later—and now Sir Bob—Geldof organized Live 8. The free concerts, held in 10 cities the week before a G8 summit in Scotland, were designed to pressure leaders from the world's richest nations to not only give humanitarian aid to Africa, but to establish concrete methods for tackling its poverty. More than one million attended the free events, while an estimated two billion watched on TV. They sent some 26.4 million text messages to help drive home the Live 8 message delivered by the star-studded lineup of performers, among them Paul McCartney and Coldplay in London, Bon Jovi and Destiny's Child (below) in Philadelphia, and Green Day in Berlin. Perhaps it worked: the G8 promised to increase aid to Africa by $25 billion and to cancel the debts of the continent's 18 poorest countries. (Carolyn Kaster/AP)

► **WALKING TALL.** *The Dukes of Hazzard*, the even lamer update of the lame TV show, had a big opening weekend—and for that the movie's producers should thank Jessica Simpson. The Texas pastor's daughter made her film debut and starred in the accompanying music video, *These Boots Are Made for Walkin'*, portraying the bodacious Daisy Duke. Not surprisingly, the sexy video—at least one Christian group said it was *too* sexy—was one of the most frequently downloaded in 2005. And just in case we hadn't had enough of the tabloid-fodder celeb, Simpson launched her own line of footwear, including—yup, you guessed it—cowgirl boots just like Daisy's. (Lionel Hahn-Abaca Press/KRT)

Top 10 Albums•05

1.	THE MASSACRE	50 CENT
2.	ENCORE	EMINEM
3.	AMERICAN IDIOT	GREEN DAY
4.	THE EMANCIPATION OF MIMI	MARIAH CAREY
5.	[illegible]	KELLY CLARKSON
6.	LOVE, ANGEL, MUSIC, BABY	GWEN STEFANI
7.	[illegible]	DESTINY'S CHILD
8.	HOW TO DISMANTLE AN ATOMIC BOMB	U2
9.	GREATEST HITS	SHANIA TWAIN
10.	FEELS LIKE TODAY	RASCAL FLATTS

◄ **SMART MOVE.** Green Day earned even more respect for their concept album *American Idiot*. Released in 2004, it has since sold more than 11 million copies and gathered an impressive collection of hardware. A year after winning their first Grammy (best rock album) for the innovative punk-rock opera about the post-9/11 world, the San Francisco Bay-area band won the record-of-the-year Grammy for their second No.1 single from the CD *Boulevard of Broken Dreams*. Mike Dirnt, Billie Joe Armstrong and Tre Cool then picked up the 2006 People's Choice Award for favorite group and swept seven awards out of eight nominations at the MTV Video Awards. Meanwhile, rumor had it that cameras were getting ready to roll for a movie version of *American Idiot*.
(Frederic-Abaca Press/KRT)

◄ **MORE LIKE $50 MILLION.** No wonder *Billboard* magazine named 50 Cent its Artist of the Year for 2005. The rapper (real name, Curtis Jackson) followed up the monster success of his 2002 CD, *Get Rich or Die Tryin'*, with a love-him-or-hate-him lead role in the semi-autobiographical movie of the same name. The ex-gangsta turned rap star and record mogul had another success on his hands with his sophomore album, *The Massacre*. And in the newest measure of success, his hit single *Candy Shop* was the No. 1 downloaded ring tone for the year.
(Michael Gibson-Paramount Pictures/KRT)

▲ **REVERSAL OF FORTUNE II.** Mariah Carey's once high flying career was in a nosedive. That, however, was before the R&B-pop diva signed with a new label and released *The Emancipation of Mimi* to critical and popular acclaim. With almost five million copies sold in 2005, the CD was one of the year's top sellers, garnered her three Grammys, and gave her a No.1 hit single, *We Belong Together*, which *Billboard Magazine* named song of the year. Carey's got her glitter back.
([illegible])

► **WHAT ELSE?** What do you do with a duo that defies easy categorization, records on analog equipment older than they are and won't even clarify if they are siblings or were once married? Well, if you're talking about innovative Detroit-based rockers Jack (right) and Meg White of the White Stripes, you give their smash hit CD *Get Behind Me Satan* the Grammy for best alternative album.
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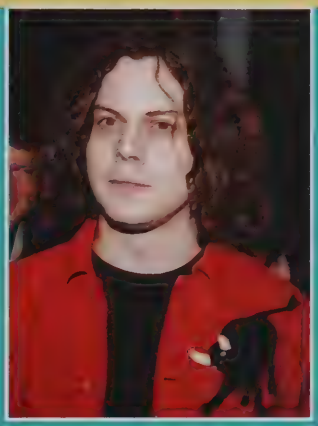

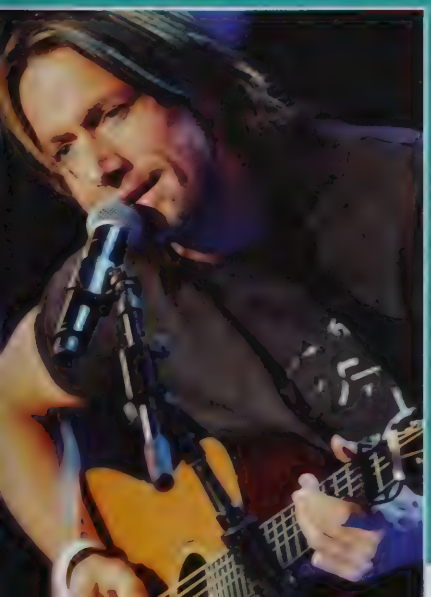

◄ **WE'LL THINK OF HIM.** Country music sensation Keith Urban, who grew up in Australia dreaming of Nashville—his home for real since 1992—has earned the reputation as one of the most electrifying performers around. So it's really no surprise he took home the 2006 Grammy for best male country vocal performance for *You'll Think of Me*, a cut from his triple-platinum album *Golden Road*.
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► **ALL THE RIGHT MOVES.** Striking out on her own was a good career move for No Doubt's Gwen Stefani. Her debut solo CD, *Love, Angel, Music, Baby*, (her L.A.M.B. clothing line inspired the title) spawned six hit singles during its incredible 68-week run on *Billboard*'s Top 100 album chart. Meanwhile, she and her husband of three years, Institute's Gavin Rossdale, announced in December 2005 that their first baby was on the way. ([illegible])

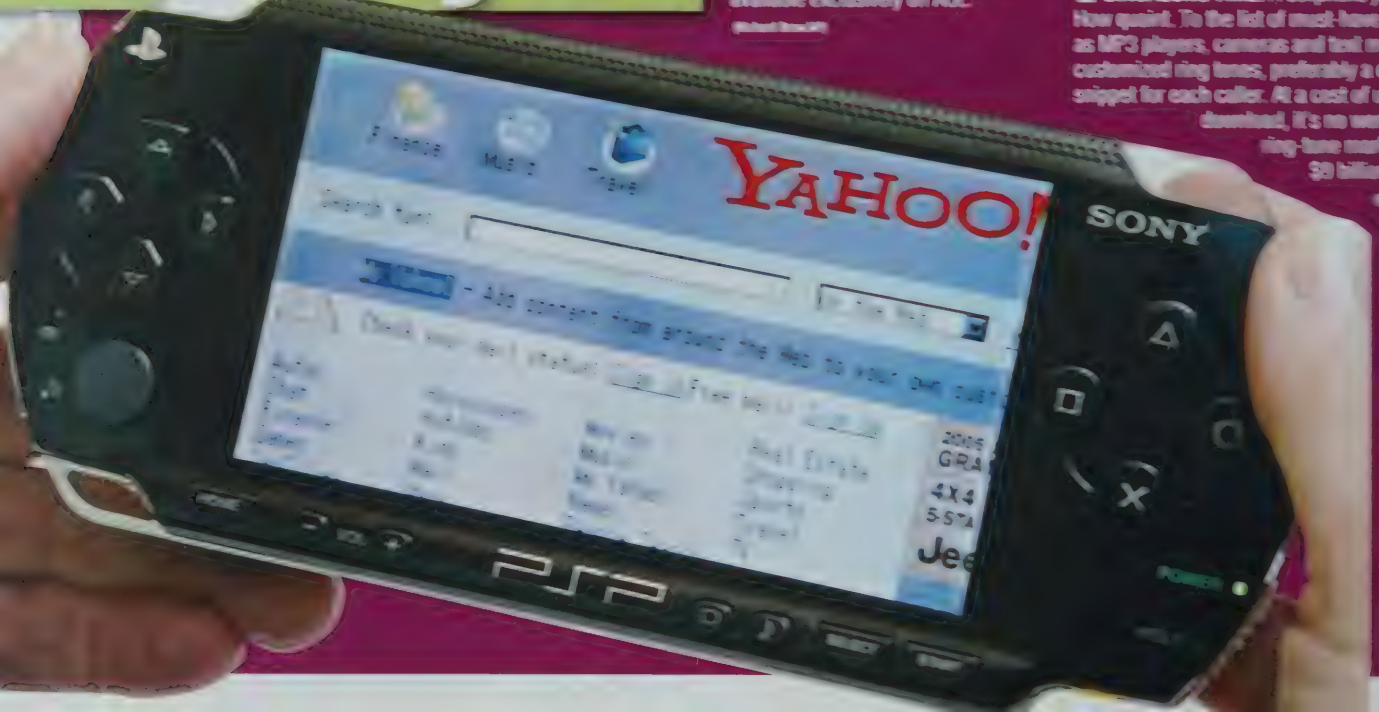
► **SMALL DEVICE, BIG STAKES.** With more than five million BlackBerry subscribers in 50 countries, Canadian-based Research in Motion dominates the wireless email industry. But in its largest market, the United States, RIM found itself in a protracted legal battle with patent-holding company NTP Inc. of Arlington, Va. With hundreds of millions of dollars at stake the obscure patent case morphed into a widely watched international drama. After almost five years of wrangling—and faced with the threat of a court injunction that could have shut down BlackBerry service in the U.S.—RIM agreed to pay NTP $612.5 million to settle the case. [illegible]

◄ **SUPPLY AND DEMAND.** The Xbox 360 is an awesome machine with a console up to 10 times more powerful than its predecessor: high-definition content, digital surround sound, and off- and online gaming with massive multiplayer games. At least that's how the lucky few who managed to get their hands on one of the home entertainment systems reviewed it. Microsoft blamed a "short-term manufacturing challenge" for the limited supply that caused sales of the Xbox 360 to get off to a much slower start than anticipated. [illegible]

Lifestyle

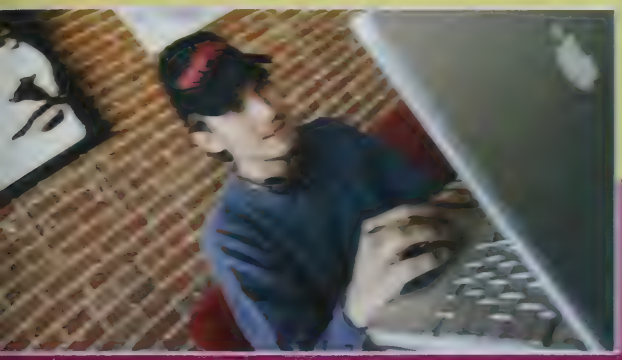
▼ **THE POWER OF PORTABILITY.** The latest high-tech gadgets, including Sony's Playstation Portable, are dramatically changing how and where we get news and entertainment. The PSP is a gaming platform, but like certain makes of cellphones and other mobile devices, it can also play video. The proliferation of platforms is forcing a content revolution, too, and in what is perhaps the clearest sign that "convergence" is finally more than a buzzword, TV producer Mark Burnett of *Survivor* fame signed on to create a real-life treasure hunt available exclusively on AOL. [illegible]

▲ **SINGALONG TIME.** A cellphone just for talking? How quaint. To the list of must-have features, such as MP3 players, cameras and text messaging, add customized ring tones, preferably a different sound snippet for each caller. At a cost of up to $3 per download, it's no wonder the global ring-tone market is pushing $9 billion. [illegible]



▲ **X MARKS THE SPOT.** Wi-Fi hot spots, which provide wireless connection to the Internet, continue to sprout like mushrooms after a rainstorm. Businesses like coffee shops, hotels and airports were among the first to recognize the service's appeal to those with notebook computers and other mobile devices. And now a growing number of colleges and municipalities offer the service free to those within their boundaries. It gives new meaning to the boast "I've got connections."

▲ ▶ **RETRO COOL.** Fashionistas continue to mine the 60s for the latest looks. Jeans, of course, are always in style, but the denim du jour, whether ripped and/or worn tucked inside boots, has their groovy, hippie thing going on. As for sunglasses last sported by Madonna, ahem!, they never have been this oversized since Jackie Onassis hid behind dark shades.



Lifestyle

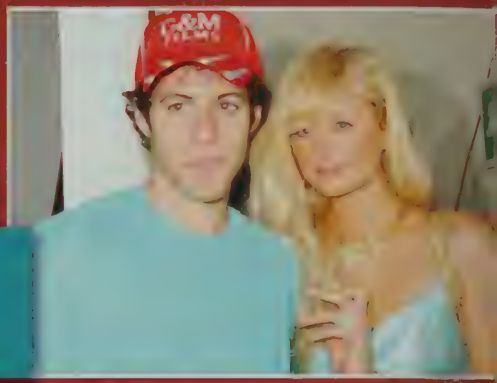
▲ **MUSIC À LA CARTE.** It's funny what a difference 99 cents makes. Downloading tunes may have had a controversial start (think Napster), but direct-to-consumer music sales on a pay-per-song basis are now legit—and big business. One of the industry-leading iTunes applications on Apple's website hit 20.7 million unique visitors in one month alone. That must be music to Steve Jobs' ears.

▼ **RADIO GOES INTO ORBIT.** With more than 170 channels of news, sports, comedy, talk and commercial-free music, XM Satellite Radio signed on some 6.5 million subscribers. XM's competitor, Sirius, attracted about four million to its 125-channel universe. For either one, listeners pony up at least $13 a month to listen to a specially adapted, branded radio.

▶ **TEENY BUT NOT WEENIE.** The iPod Nano was a surprise replacement for the iPod mini, which Apple took off the market the same day it launched its fourth digital audio player. But with its slim good looks and flash memory that makes it immune to skipping, the Nano just might be the coolest member of the iPod family yet.

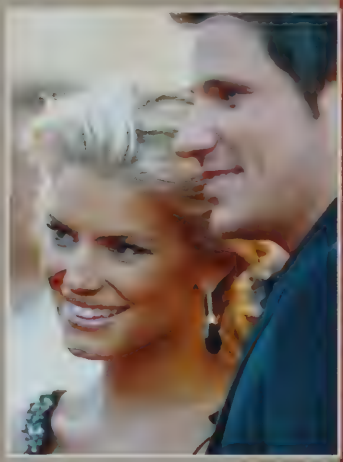
▲ **MAYBE IT'S HER DOUBLE.** Lindsay Lohan has been dubbed the cinema's best-bet star. But it's her off-screen antics that make the news. Then again, any model/actor/pop star who has three car crashes, loses a dramatic amount of weight, and is hospitalized with a serious asthma attack, as either a few months, can expect to draw a little attention to herself.

◀ **THE ETERNAL TRIANGLE.** What had been tabloid fodder for months turned out to be true: Brad Pitt had indeed left his wife, Jennifer Aniston, for Angelina Jolie, his co-star in the hit flick *Mr. and Mrs. Smith*. Same for the rumors that Jolie, the mother of two adopted children and a goodwill ambassador for the UN, was pregnant. But don't shed a tear for Aniston. The former *Friends* co-star appeared in four movies in six months and found a new beau in Vince Vaughn. (Stephen Vaughn/20th Century Fox)



Entertainment

◀ **HERE'S LOOKIN' AT YOU, KID.** With her marriage apparently rocky, there's no saying how long Britney Spears will remain Mrs. Kevin Federline. Perhaps Spears Federline's recent "no-fuck" list is causing her [illegible]



▲ **FLYING SOLO.** They were billed as America's favorite couple on the hit MTV reality program *Newlyweds*—but that was before Jessica Simpson filed for divorce from hubby Nick Lachey. Still, the blonde Texan, who hit the big screen as Daisy Duke in *The Dukes of Hazzard*, remains as popular as ever.

▲ **WHO ARE YOU CALLING AN HEIRHEAD?** Perennial party girl Paris Hilton was engaged to Paris Latsis, the scion of a wealthy Greek shipping family, for all of four months. Still she walked away with a 25-carat white diamond ring and a 21-carat canary diamond ring worth about a cool $10 million. Not that the heir to the Hilton hotel fortune needs the money. (James Fox-Express Syndication/[illegible])

▲ **LIP-LOCKED AND LOADED.** A cynic might see Tom Cruise's hyperbolic protestations of love for Katie Holmes on *Oprah* as the antics of a slightly over-the-hill actor trying to reignite his career. But romantics, noting the couple's upcoming marriage and new baby girl, Suri, are no doubt certain that Tom does REALLY LOVE HER!!!!! (Gerald Bakowski-Alexa Press/[illegible])

◀ **WALK THE RED CARPET.** In *Walk the Line*, Reese Witherspoon showed that she is more than just "Legally Blonde." She ranged from flirty to vulnerable to iron-willed in her portrayal of June Carter Cash, the singer who captured the heart of country legend Johnny Cash (portrayed by Joaquin Phoenix) and who refused to let him self-destruct. June personally picked Witherspoon for the part—which earned the actress an Oscar and a Golden Globe—but did not live to see the movie. The Cashes died within four months of one another in 2003 after 35 years of marriage. (Suzanne Tenner/Twentieth Century Fox)

◀ **IDOL NOT IDLE.** When this picture was taken, there were 16 *American Idol* semifinalists—and only one of them was destined to go home happy. Still, the real winner is the program itself. Ratings for *American Idol*'s fifth go-round were even higher than for past seasons—a feat unmatched by any other reality show. (Ray Mickshaw/FOX)

Television

▲ **FAMILY DYNAMICS.** *Gilmore Girls* may have started out as a critics' pick, but with its light touch on serious subjects, including the relationship of single mom Lorelai and daughter Rory, it eventually found a loyal audience. The Teen Choice Awards named it best comedy and Lauren Graham (front left) as Choice TV Parental Unit, while Alexis Bledel (front right) scored twice, as the Choice It Girl and TV Actress Comedy. (Global TV Photo)

▲ **TROUBLE IN SUBURBIA.** The characters on *Desperate Housewives* may look perfect. But true happiness eludes (from left) Susan Mayer (Teri Hatcher), Gabrielle Solis (Eva Longoria), Bree Van De Kamp (Marcia Cross) and the other residents of Wisteria Lane, what with all the murder and misbehaving in their midst. But their misery keeps fans of the nighttime soap opera tuning in. (CTV Photo)

▲ **THE SUSPENSE IS KILLING US.** In "flashbacks" to the present day, Ted Mosby (Josh Radnor, centre) is looking for the woman of his dreams. Given the title, *How I Met Your Mother*, and that he's talking to his son and daughter 25 years in the future (narration by an unseen Bob Saget), we can assume he found her. The mystery at the heart of the sitcom: who is she? (Global TV Photo)

◀ **FUN IN THE SUN.** It has the attractive cast, beautiful locale (Orange County, California) and the tumultuous storylines that are the staples of teen drama. The self-mocking tone of some of the dialogue, however, is a welcome hint that *The O.C.* doesn't take itself too seriously—and neither should the viewer. (Fox)

◀ **SMOOTH OPERATORS.** *Grey's Anatomy* became the hottest new show of the year thanks to its radical surgery on the hospital drama format. Take the case of Dr. Cristina Yang. Sandra Oh won a Golden Globe for her portrayal of the nakedly ambitious intern who gets to deliver some of the most cutting—and hilarious—lines on TV. (ABC Television/KXT)

▶ **BREAKOUT HIT.** Your brother is in jail about to be executed for a murder you believe he didn't commit. So what do you do? If you're structural engineer Michael Scofield (Wentworth Miller, left) on *Prison Break*, you plan to bust him out by getting thrown into the same slammer. With tattoos on your torso that are really blueprints of the joint, escape should be simple, right? Not when there are assassins on the outside and low-lifes like T-Bag (Robert Knepper) on the inside to contend with. (S. Hadden/FOX)

▼ **THE DNA OF SUCCESS.** Some popular TV shows set fashion trends or turn obscure tunes into hit songs. But *CSI: Crime Scene Investigation* (cast, below) and its popular spinoffs, *CSI: Miami* and *CSI: New York*, can top that: they have their own effect. Legal experts say some jurors are disappointed—and at some trials even refuse to convict—when they're not presented with the sort of cutting-edge forensic evidence that, for now at least, exists only on the series. On the upside, the so-called *CSI* effect is credited with increasing college enrolment in forensic and related science courses. (CTV Photo)

◀ AN UNCOMPROMISING HIT. With its ensemble cast and intricate, interwoven story lines, *Crash* is an unflinching examination of racial tensions in Los Angeles. So even Paul Haggis (right) seemed surprised when the movie he wrote and directed won the Oscar for best picture. But if the cheer that erupted from the audience attending the Academy Awards is any indication, maybe it wasn't such a long shot after all.

(Michael Goulding-Orange County Register/KRT)

Movies

▲ HOW WE GOT MADDELINA. In *Mr. and Mrs. Smith*, John Brad Pitt and wife Jane (Angelina Jolie) are trapped in a dull marriage, convinced—what the hell, why not?—that a vicious, life-or-death battle to the death will bring them back together. They're dedicated to degrees of each other. Some highly stylish shootouts ensue—but thanks to vibrant, blockbuster-ready chemistry, it was Pitt's marriage to Jennifer Aniston that got annulled. — Joe Queenan

HAIL-MARY. After the success of *The Lord of the Rings* trilogy, Peter Jackson could have had his pick of Hollywood projects. Instead, he chose the potentially disastrous route of remaking a classic—in this case *King Kong*, his favorite childhood flick. Fortunately for film fans, the New Zealand director stayed true to the heart of the 1933 original while giving it a 21st-century spin. This time, Ann Darrow (Naomi Watts) returns the giant gorilla's affection. (Universal Pictures)

▼ SWEET DREAMS. There is a lot to like about Tim Burton's 2005 —starring Johnny Depp as Roald Dahl's charmer *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*. And Johnny Depp, who seems to have his twisted sensibilities in harmony on the whimsical candy bard. Who deserves to pass on his factory gates to five young winners. — Brian Hiatt

▲ A ROARING START. *The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe* took a daunting job of bringing to the screen the first of C. S. Lewis's seven books about four siblings evacuated to the English countryside from wartime London and discover a mythical land. The film, which dwelled, fell short in nothing unfavorable, and it has lessons, hence. — Joe Queenan

◄ **MAGIC CAN'T HELP.** Harry Potter has to learn fast as the challenges he faces in *Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire* (the fourth film adaptation from Brazilian-born J. K. Rowling's insanely successful series) become ever more dangerous. But perhaps the hardest thing that the young wizard (David Radcliffe, center) and his friends (Emma Watson and Rupert Grint) must contend with is squeaking teenagers. (Warner Bros.)

▲ **NOT A CHICK FLICK.** One of the few hit movies of 2005 that was not a sequel or an adaptation, *Wedding Crashers* went its own hilarious way with a ready blend of humor. John Beckwith (Owen Wilson, right) and Jeremy Grey (Vince Vaughn) crash strangers' nuptials for sex than altruistic reasons. And when said guy eventually finds love, don't be fooled—it's really a buddy movie in disguise. (New Line Cinema)

► **A METAPHOR FOR THE POWER OF EVIL.** In his adaptation of H. G. Wells's then-groundbreaking 1898 science fiction novel about Martians attempting a hostile takeover, Steven Spielberg makes the loss of an entire swarm of Earth lives not only startling again, but [illegible] believable. The most unlikely cast of *War of the Worlds*: Tom Cruise as an ordinary blue-collar kind of guy. (Paramount Pictures and Dreamworks)

▲ **THE DARK KNIGHT TAKES FLIGHT.** The world might not have needed another *Batman* movie—there were four varyingly successful ones between 1989 and 1997. But British art-house director Christopher Nolan, best known for his 2000 mind-twister, *Memento*, has rethought the concept in this prequel that shows how a young Bruce Wayne (Christian Bale) got his cape and semi-mystical crime-fighting abilities, giving *Batman Begins* a fresh take on the franchise. (Warner Bros.)

▲ **TO THE DARK SIDE.** Anyone familiar with the original 1977 *Star Wars* movie knows how *Star Wars: Episode III—Revenge of the Sith* has to end: with the Galactic Empire rising and Anakin Skywalker (Hayden Christensen) transformed into the evil Darth Vader. George Lucas filmed the second half of his *Star Wars* sextet first, before looping back to film the three earlier episodes. *Revenge of the Sith*, the top money earner of 2005, is the best of those prequels and brings us back to where it all started "a long time ago in a galaxy far, far away." (LucasFilm/KRT)

► **HAVING A GOOD OL' TIME.** *The Dukes of Hazzard*, starring Jessica Simpson as cousin Daisy Duke and a souped-up Dodge Charger as the General Lee, is proof that a movie doesn't have to be a critical, or even a box-office success to make money if you have the right spinoff merchandise. (Warner Bros.)

▼ **LAW OF THE JUNGLE.** With a landscape inspired by Henri Rousseau and actors like Ben Stiller, David Schwimmer and Jada Pinkett Smith contributing their voices, *Madagascar* is a charming tale about what happens when four pampered New York City zoo animals are stranded in the wild. Blame the penguins, who hijack the ship they were on—and steal the movie. (DreamWorks Animation)

Top Movies • 05

1.	STAR WARS: EPISODE III – REVENGE OF THE SITH	$380 MILLION
2.	HARRY POTTER AND THE GOBLET OF FIRE	$289 MILLION
3.	THE CHRONICLES OF NARNIA: THE LION, THE WITCH AND THE WARDROBE	$288 MILLION
4.	WAR OF THE WORLDS	$234 MILLION
5.	KING KONG	$217 MILLION
6.	WEDDING CRASHERS	$209 MILLION
7.	CHARLIE AND THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY	$206 MILLION
8.	BATMAN BEGINS	$205 MILLION
9.	MADAGASCAR	$193 MILLION
10.	MR. AND MRS. SMITH	$186 MILLION

Sports

Olympic Medals

COUNTRY	GOLD	SILVER	BRONZE	TOTAL
GERMANY	11	12	6	29
UNITED STATES	9	9	7	25
CANADA	7	10	7	24
AUSTRIA	9	7	7	23
RUSSIA	8	6	8	22
NORWAY	2	8	9	19
SWEDEN	7	2	5	14

(Matt Dunham/AP)

TALES FROM TURIN. Team USA wrapped up the Winter Olympics in Turin, Italy, with 25 medals, placing second behind Germany. A star from the 2002 Games in Salt Lake City, speed skater Apolo Anton Ohno (below, far left, in blue) led the 500-m short-track event from start to finish to win gold. A mere half-hour later, the Seattle skater was back on the ice helping his teammates in the 5,000-m relay gut out a bronze in the hard-fought 45-lap race. Chicago speed skater Shani Davis (left) became the first African-American to win individual gold at a Winter Olympics thanks to his first-place finish in the 1,000-m race. He also won silver in the 1,500-m event in which teammate and archrival Chad Hedrick (below, second from left) won bronze. Hedrick earned a gold and a silver in long-track events as well. In women's figure skating, U.S. champion Sasha Cohen (below right) had to settle for silver after errors in her long program dashed her hopes for gold. Over at the halfpipe, there was no choking, just big air, as both the men and women placed 1-2 in their events. Hannah Teter and Gretchen Bleiler (below center) won gold and silver, respectively, as did Californians Shaun White and Danny Kass.

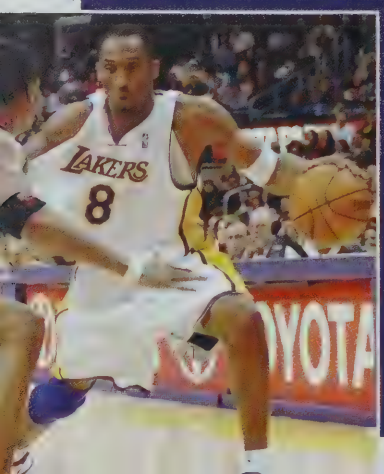
(Eric Gay/AP)

(Domenico Stinellis/AP)

(Greg Baker/AP)

(James Finley/AP)

▼ **HARDWOOD HEROICS.** When Kobe Bryant poured in 81 points in a lopsided Lakers' defeat of the Toronto Raptors, the shooting guard became the second-highest single-game scorer in NBA history. Wilt Chamberlain tops the list with a 100-point game in 1962. (Matt A. Brown/AP)

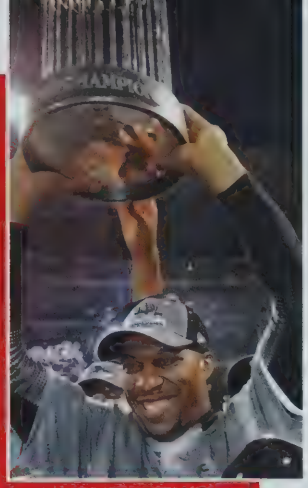


◀ **FORE!** A bevy of young talent is changing the face of women's golf. Michelle Wie, the six-foot phenom from Hawaii who has been compared to Tiger Woods, turned pro the week before her 16th birthday with nearly $10 million in endorsements. Media darling Natalie Gulbis (pictured above), 23, appeared everywhere from her own bathing-suit calendar to a four-part reality show about her life on the LPGA tour, despite never having won a major event. Paula Creamer, 19, got noticed the old-fashioned way—she earned the attention. Fresh from high school, Creamer became the youngest and quickest player in LPGA history to cross the $1-million mark in career earnings and went on to become the LPGA's rookie of the year. (Bryan Oller-Colorado Springs Gazette/KRT)

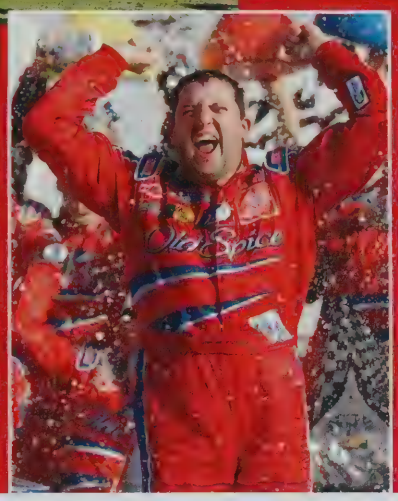
◀ **FAREWELL TOUR.** Lance Armstrong, who has one of the most remarkable careers in modern sport, announced his retirement from cycling after winning an unprecedented seventh Tour de France. The 34-year-old Texan was said to be contemplating entering politics—as if conquering testicular cancer as well as the Pyrenees weren't enough challenges for one lifetime. (Bruno Klein-Abaca Press/KRT)

▲ **THAT'S WHY IT'S CALLED MARCH MADNESS.** Upsets are expected at the NCAA basketball championship, but few would have predicted that for the first time since 1980, none of the teams seeded No. 1 made the Final Four. The Florida Gators, led by MVP Joakim Noah, captured their first national title with a 73-57 thrashing of the UCLA Bruins, blocking their bid for a 12th title. (Louis DeLuca-Dallas Morning News/KRT)

▲ **LEAVING THE COMPETITION BEHIND.** Fleet-footed Trojan tailback Reggie Bush, who often leaves his opponents gasping for air, ran away with the Heisman Trophy. The University of Southern California has now produced seven Heisman winners, matching Notre Dame's record. Bush said he planned to forgo his senior year to go directly into the NFL. (Chris Carlson/AP)



▶ **"WORLD SERIES" TAKES ON A NEW MEANING.** It's not quite baseball as usual. The Chicago White Sox won the World Series—for the first time since 1917—in a four-game sweep of the Houston Astros. Five months later, 16 national teams competed in the inaugural World Baseball Classic, the first international competition to feature MLB players. Team USA headed back to spring training earlier than expected after being knocked out by—wait for it—Mexico. Japan won the 17-day tournament, beating Cuba 10-6 in the gold-medal game. (David J. Phillip/AP)



◀ **ALL REVVED UP.** Tony Stewart finished 15th in his final race of the season, but that was good enough to clinch the Nextel Cup, NASCAR's top racing series. First in points overall, Stewart collected $6.2 million in point fund awards, for a total 2005 payout of $13.6 million, a NASCAR single-season record. That's plenty rich, but stock-car racing has come a long way from the days of a few good ol' boys trading paint on a backwoods oval. Today, NASCAR is second only to the NFL as the most popular professional sport on TV, and fans—40 per cent of them female—flock to events across America. (Gary W. Green-Orlando Sentinel/KRT)

◀ **VA-VA-VA-VROOM.** Noting that a fourth-place finish at the Indianapolis 500 was as good as it got for Danica Patrick in 2005, some competitors on the Indy Racing League circuit wondered just what she'd done to capture rookie-of-the-year honors and all the media attention. But with the IRL lagging far behind NASCAR in terms of fan and sponsor support, maybe her detractors should have instead thanked the petite 23-year-old Wisconsin native for generating all the buzz. (Susan Tripp Pollard-Contra Costa Times/KRT)

▶ **WINTERING THE STORM.** The lockout and subsequent cancellation of the NHL's 2004-2005 season meant all 1,230 regular-season and Stanley Cup playoff games—not to mention some $460 million in revenues—were wiped out. Worse, polls indicated fans didn't miss professional hockey all that much. Feeling the pressure, the owners and players finally inked a deal so that the 2005-2006 season could start on schedule. And the fans? The diehard sort returned to NHL arenas in record numbers, but casual TV viewers stayed tuned out. (Kathy Kmonicek-Newsday/KRT)

▼ **WORTH WAITING FOR.** Pittsburgh Steelers wide receiver, Hines Ward (below), was voted MVP after the Steelers defeated the Seattle Seahawks 21-10 in the Super Bowl XL. It was the Steelers' first NFL championship since 1980. Running back Jerome Bettis talked about retiring after his 12th season, but quarterback Ben Roethlisberger promised his teammate he'd get him to the Super Bowl if he hung in for one more year. Promise kept and then some. (Michael Conroy/AP)

2005 Champions

SUPER BOWL XL	PITTSBURGH STEELERS OVER SEATTLE SEAHAWKS	21-10
WORLD SERIES	CHICAGO WHITE SOX OVER HOUSTON ASTROS	4-0 SERIES
NFL	SAN ANTONIO SPURS OVER DETROIT PISTONS	4-3 SERIES
NCAA FOOTBALL	TEXAS LONGHORNS OVER USC TROJANS	41-38
NCAA MEN'S B-BALL	FLORIDA GATORS OVER UCLA BRUINS	73-57
NCAA WOMEN'S B-BALL	MARYLAND TERRAPINS OVER DUKE BLUE DEVILS	78-75
PGA	TIGER WOODS	$9.8 MILLION
LPGA	LORENA OCHOA	$2.8 MILLION
WOMEN'S TENNIS	KIM CLISTERS	$4 MILLION
MEN'S TENNIS	ROGER FEDERER	$5.1 MILLION
STANLEY CUP	SEASON CANCELLED	

Science

◀ THE GREENER WAY. Hybrid vehicles that use both gas and electric motors to double their fuel efficiency and halve their emissions have gone almost mainstream as they capture a growing share of the North American new-car market. So early adopters have turned on to the next big energy breakthrough. Made from renewable energy sources such as corn, soy or animal fats, the fuel can be used in any standard diesel engine and doesn't create greenhouse gases. Meanwhile, automakers are working on prototypes of hydrogen-powered vehicles. Still, problems associated with hydrogen fuel cells mean it could be some time yet before they make today's cars as obsolete as the horse and buggy.

▼ A BLAST FROM THE PAST. The space shuttle Discovery carries cargo, crew members and equipment for the Hubble Space Telescope Servicing Mission 3B, which was launched in March 2002. The shuttle is powered by liquid hydrogen and liquid oxygen. The mission, the fourteenth shuttle mission to the International Space Station, was the first mission to dock with the two-year-old Hubble Space Telescope. Discovery carried the two astronauts and the equipment needed to install a new Solar Array Electrical Power System, a new Space Telescope Imaging Spectrograph and the Space Shuttle Orbiter Extension Module—essentially an engine to extend the mission life of the Hubble. The mission was the 100th shuttle mission since the first launch of the shuttle in April 1981.

AND THEN THERE WERE TEN. Astronomers announced that they had discovered a new planet in the outer reaches of our solar system. Nicknamed Xena—at least until the international body that vets names comes up with something official—it looks a lot like its nearest planetary neighbor, Pluto. But it is almost three times farther from the sun—nearly 10 billion miles—and its 560-year orbit takes twice the time of Pluto's. But Xena is not alone out there; the astronomers also found a moon orbiting the planet and nicknamed it Gabrielle.

(NASA/JPL-Caltech)

◀ WINDS OF CHANGE. Does global warming cause hurricanes? That seems a reasonable question following a tropical storm season that was the longest on record and wreaked unprecedented damage. Some data indicates that global climate change does not increase the number of hurricanes, but it does cause those that do occur to be much more ferocious. Not all scientists agree, and the research—and the debate—continue.

(The Canadian Press Gerald Herbert)

▶ INCREASING THE ODDS. Medical researchers discovered how cancer spreads, a finding that could potentially lead to new ways of preventing and treating the disease. The original tumor sends out a chemical envoy that prepares a so-called landing pad elsewhere in the body that attracts cancerous cells and makes it easy for them to colonize the secondary site. Cancer's ability to spread is what makes it so deadly, and blocking the envoys might halt that process.

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